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Immediate Issue of a French Loan Proposed.

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FRANCE.

Financial Condition and Necessities of the Empire—A New Loan to be Placed in the Market forthwith.

PARIS, Monday, Jan. 27.

The *Moniteur* to-day publishes the report of M. PIERRE MAGNE, the recently appointed Minister of Finance, on the financial condition and necessities of the Empire. M. MAGNE says that the increased military preparations caused by the Luxemburg dispute imposed an unexpected burthen upon the resources of the country, and though these preparations were long since abandoned with the termination of the dispute, still they had created a heavy deficit in the estimates of the past year. Among other eventualities the report, in a guarded manner, admits that France may be held liable to pay the bonds of the Mexican Empire, which were guaranteed by the Government. To meet these extraordinary demands upon the financial resources of the country, the Minister declares that a new loan is necessary. The report then gives the details of the loan. The amount proposed is 440,000,000 francs, which is to be taken by public subscription. M. MAGNE concludes his report by an appeal to the patriotism of the French people, saying that, though a heavy sacrifice is required of them, its object is to secure for France an enduring peace, which is the great aim of the Emperor's policy.

LONDON, Monday, Jan. 27.

It is now asserted that the new French loan of 750,000,000 francs (?) will be placed in market to-morrow.

Unfavorable Effect of the Army Bill upon Public Sentiment.

LONDON, Monday, Jan. 27.

Letters from Paris say that the reports of the Prefects of the Departments in regard to the state of public feeling on the Army Bill are quite unfavorable; they generally concur in stating that the announcement of the adoption of the bill was received with manifestations of disfavor, and that the measure is decidedly unpopular in the Departments.

THE FENIAN EXCITEMENT.

Robbery of a Gunshop in Dublin.

DUBLIN, Monday, Jan. 27.

A gunshop in this city was entered by a party of men, who succeeded in carrying away nearly half a ton of powder. The Police immediately got upon the track of the robbers, and have since arrested twelve persons on suspicion of being connected with the affair. All the men arrested are Fenians.

Burke Denies his Complicity in the Clerkenwell Plot.

LONDON, Monday, Jan. 27.

The papers this morning publish a letter from the Fenian prisoner, BURKE, who was confined in the house of detention in Clerkenwell at the time of the explosion. BURKE denies in the most positive terms that he had any previous knowledge of the conspiracy, and declares that if the attempt was made to afford him the opportunity of making his escape, no intimation of such a purpose was ever conveyed to him.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Heavy Gale in the Southern Counties of Scotland.

EDINBURGH, Monday, Jan. 27.

A very heavy gale passed over the southern counties of Scotland yesterday. Houses were unroofed, blown down, &c., and much damage done. Telegrams report the loss of several lives. The storm was very heavy in this city and in Glasgow. It is thought that the shipping must have suffered terribly, though no advices of disaster have yet come to hand.

Conviction and Sentence of a Bigamist.

LONDON, Monday, Jan. 27—Evening.

The trial of Sir CULLING EARDLEY for the crime of bigamy, which has excited great interest here, was concluded to-day. The testimony given showed that the accused married Miss EMILY FLORENCE MAGEE in the City of New-York, in the year 1859; that he subsequently in the year 1867, married Miss ELIZABETH ALLAN in St. George's Church, Hanover-square, London; and that the second marriage took place while the first wife was living. The Court was called upon to decide the legitimacy of the marriage in New-York, and declared it a legal and valid contract. The case was finally given to the jury, who brought in a verdict of guilty. To-day the prisoner was brought into court and the Judge pronounced his sentence, which is imprisonment for eighteen months at hard labor.

CUBA.

The Imperialist Marquez at Havana.

HAVANA, Monday, Jan. 27.

The famous Imperial Gen. MARQUEZ arrived here yesterday from New-Orleans. He escaped from Mexico in disguise on board a South American vessel, and reached New-Orleans some weeks ago. He is stopping here *incognito* at the Hotel Europa, and was accidentally recognized by Ex-Minister LAPENZA and others.

MEXICO.

Senor Romero Accepts the Appointment of Secretary of the Treasury.

HAVANA, Monday, Jan. 27.

A French steamer arrived to-day from Vera Cruz with dates to the 22nd inst.

Dispatches from the City of Mexico state that Senor ROMERO had accepted the appointment of Secretary of the Treasury, and that Senor EARCO had declined the Ministry of the Interior on account of sickness.

Two White Men Killed and Several Wounded by Negroes in Mississippi.

JACKSON, Miss., Monday, Jan. 27.

The *Clarion* has particulars of an outrage committed in Jasper County, Mississippi, on the 25th and 26th insts. A squad of freedmen, who had been stealing hogs, waylaid the constables, a posse of whom were searching for them with a warrant for their arrest. Two white men were killed, one mortally wounded and five severely. But one negro was wounded and arrested. Several parties are in search for the perpetrators.

The first semi-centennial Masonic celebration of this State was held at Natchez last week, and was largely attended. Prof. THOMAS G. GATHRIGHT was elected Grand Master for the ensuing year.

RECONSTRUCTION.

The North Carolina Convention.

RALEIGH, N. C., Monday, Jan. 27.

The Convention occupied the most of to-day in discussing, in Committee of the Whole, the report of the Committee on a Governor and the necessary State officers. It proposes to add to the present officers a Lieutenant-Governor, a Superintendent of Public Works and a Superintendent of Public Instructions, all to be elected for two years by the people. Heretofore the people have elected a Governor, and the Legislature have elected a Secretary of State, Comptroller or Auditor, and public Treasurer.

Mr. BOYTLE, Public Treasurer, sent in an able communication giving his reasons why he could not comply with the order of the Convention to pay the per diem, &c., which was referred to a committee to confer with Gen. CANBY.

The South Carolina Convention.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Monday, Jan. 27.

The Convention was engaged to-day in the consideration of the report of the Finance Committee, which recommends the levying of a special tax to defray the expenses of the Convention and preserve the credit of the State. The Committee recommended that the pay of members be nine dollars per day and twenty cents mileage, payable on bill receivable of the State.

Considerable excitement followed the adjournment of the Convention, growing out of an assault upon a reporter of the *Mercury*, by a son of Collector MACKEY, President of the Convention, on account of an abusive article in to-day's *Mercury*.

The Mississippi Convention.

JACKSON, Miss., Monday, Jan. 27.

The Reconstruction Convention to-day, after the reports of Committees, went into Committee of the Whole, and further considered the Bill of Rights. Four sections were acted on when the Committee rose.

The bill will be reported when completed.

The majority report of the Committee on Compensation, which, with the minority report, was telegraphed when submitted, was adopted by 48 yeas to 27 nays.

An afternoon session was held to complete the list of collectors of special taxes.

The Arkansas Convention.

MEMPHIS, Monday, Jan. 27.

The *Appeal's* Little Rock special to-day says the Convention engaged in the discussion of the contested case of Ashley County without coming to any definite conclusion.

On motion of Mr. MCCLURE, the use of the hall was tendered to the Democratic State Convention, which meets to-day, when the Convention adjourned till Wednesday.

The Alabama Election—Important Order by Gen. Hayden.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Monday, Jan. 27.

The following important order was issued today:

HEADQUARTERS DISTRICT OF ALABAMA, MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 27, 1868.

Pursuant to General Orders No. 16, current series, from headquarters of the Third Military District, at the election to be held in the State of Alabama, in accordance with General Orders No. 101, series of 1867, the polls shall not be opened at more than three precincts in each county in the State, and said polls shall be kept open and votes received thereat for four days, instead of two days, anything in General Orders No. 102 to the contrary notwithstanding. All public bar-rooms, saloons and other places for the sale of liquors, at the county seats and all other places where the polls shall be opened, will be closed from 6 o'clock in the evening of the 3d day of February till 6 o'clock in the morning of the 8th day of February, 1868. By order of

Brevet Brig.-Gen. JULIUS HAYDEN.

S. C. GREENE, Captain Twenty-fourth Infantry, Brevet Major U. S. A., A. A. Gen.

The Florida Convention.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Monday, Jan. 27.

The Convention met to-day at 10 o'clock. The Committee on Privileges and Elections made majority and minority reports, the consideration of which, after a short discussion, was postponed to the 28d of February next.

A committee on boundaries of the State, location of the capital and miscellaneous matters was appointed.

Invitations were extended to SOLON ROBINSON, of New-York; Col. O. B. HART, HARRISON REEDE and others to address the Convention.

After general discussion the Convention adjourned.

The Georgia Convention.

ATLANTA, Ga., Monday, Jan. 27.

In the Reconstruction Convention the members were engaged in discussing the question of relief, during the entire day's session, without arriving at any result.

The Louisiana Convention.

NEW-ORLEANS, Monday, Jan. 27.

Nothing of importance transpired in the Convention to-day.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

A Severe Winter—Floods in Washington Territory—Alaska as a Market—Movements of United States Vessels.

SAN FRANCISCO, Monday, Jan. 27.

Late advices from the Northern Coast give accounts of an unusually severe winter. Communication was interrupted with Oregon.

Delegates are to be sent to a State Convention to be held at Portland, March 19.

The Legislature of Washington Territory had adopted a resolution removing the present Council and Enrolling Clerk.

Floods had caused an immense destruction of property through the Territory. Such a rainy Winter was never before experienced in that country.

Several vessels had sailed for Sitka with lumber and army stores from Port Townsend.

It was thought Alaska would hereafter be a good market for the productions of the Territory.

The United States steamer *Resaca*, from Sitka, Jan. 19, has arrived. Princess MARSONNOFF, wife of the late Governor, is a passenger.

The *Resaca* left in port the United States steamer *Jamestown*. All on board were well.

The Canal Contract System—Another Meeting in Buffalo.

BUFFALO, Monday, Jan. 27.

The members of the Board of Trade and citizens generally, held another large meeting to-day on 'Change. The Committee, appointed at a previous meeting, read a report calling upon the Legislature to abolish the contract system and return to the former system of superintendents, &c.; also, urging that the canals be put in immediate repair; calling the State Convention at Albany to consider canal matters, and especially to guard against frauds and secure a reduction of tolls.

The report was adopted and a committee appointed to carry out the objects of the meeting.

Fire at Sedalia, Mo.

SEDALIA, Mo., Monday, Jan. 27.

A fire occurred this morning, which destroyed the buildings occupied by Messrs. FLORSHEIM, dry-goods dealers; MESSERSCHE & Co., liquors; MINER SUMER, pianos and stewards; BARD & Co., BOLTE & BRO. and LEVY BRO., each drygoods houses. The three first-named establishments lost pretty much everything; the others saved a portion of their stock. The loss is estimated at $70,000; insurance small.

Address to Missouri Republicans—Why Gen. Grant Should be Nominated.

ST. LOUIS, Monday, Jan. 27.

The Committee appointed by the Central Grant Club have published an address to the Republicans of Missouri, in which they give, among other reasons, why Gen. GRANT should be nominated by the Republican National Convention for the Presidency, that he is honest, and has proved himself to be a patriot. He is a man of the people, sprung from their ranks. He is devoted to their interest; is possessed of those rare qualities necessary in a Chief Magistrate amid the present political complications. Because of his practical common sense, unflinching determination of purpose. He will practically enforce rigid economy in every department of the Government. Because his views on the question of reconstruction are in harmony with those of Congress. He will mete out equal and exact justice, without reference to conditions of color or nationality; because he is magnanimous and will administer the Government on the liberal progressive principles of the Republican Party; because he can place our financial system on a solid basis, and vitalize our commerce at home and abroad; because he will give weight to our nationality among the nations. He will settle the *Alabama* claims by moving immediately upon the works of the enemy. Because he will see our flag respected by all nations, however powerful, and will protect naturalized citizens wherever and wherever their rights may be assailed or liberty abridged. Because Gen. GRANT is the first choice of an overwhelming majority of the American people for the next Chief Magistrate of the nation.

Grant Clubs in every town and State are earnestly recommended.

The Cole-Hiscock Murder Case at Albany.

ALBANY, Monday, Jan. 27.

There was a large attendance at the Circuit Court and Court of Oyer and Terminer to-day, in consequence of the expectation that the case of Gen. GEO. W. COLE, indicted for the murder of L. H. HISCOCK, would be taken up. No action was taken, however, beyond the filing by Mr. HADLEY, counsel for the defence, of a writ of *certiorari* allowed by Mr. Justice WELLS on the 23d of January, the effect of which is to remove the case from the Oyer and Terminer to the Supreme Court. District-Attorney SMITH will to-morrow morning move the trial of the case in the Circuit Court.

Marble Bust of President Lincoln for Cincinnati.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Monday, Jan. 27.

The Monumental Committee appointed Gov. HAYES, W. G. DESHLER and JOSEPH S. SULLIVANT, of this city, a committee to contract with Mr. F. JONES, of Cincinnati, for a marble bust of President LINCOLN, to be placed in the rotunda of the State House.

The election for Congressman in the Eighth District, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. HAMILTON, resulted in the election of Gen. JOHN BRATLER, by over one thousand majority.

Suicide and Homicide in Nashville, Tenn.

NASHVILLE, Monday, Jan. 27.

Mr. C. H. PRATT, of State Line City, Indiana, late sutler in the Federal army, cut his throat last night at the Commercial Hotel with a pocket-knife. Cause intemperance.

A desperado named NARMER, in an affray at Symond, was shot six times with a pistol and cut with an axe. He died at 2 A. M. yesterday.

Sinking of the Steamer Emerald—Three Lives Lost.

NEW-ORLEANS, Monday, Jan. 27.

The steamer *Emerald*, hence for Cincinnati, sunk at Tunica Bend, Saturday evening. Three lives are reported lost. The cargo—consisting principally of between 500 and 600 hogsheads of sugar—and the boat are a total loss.

Suicide of a German in Buffalo.

BUFFALO, Monday, Jan. 27.

GOTLIEB ROPP, a German aged 35 years, from Michigan, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself in the mouth with a revolver. ROPP was laboring under a temporary fit of insanity. He was on a visit to a brother in this city.

Fire in Ontario, Canada.

STREETSVILLE, Ontario, Jan. 27.

The extensive linen mills owned by Messrs. GODERHAM & WORTS were destroyed by fire on Saturday night; loss, $200,000. Discount on American invoices for the week, 28 per cent.

Attempted Repeal of the Gettysburgh Asylum Bill.

HARRISBURGH, Penn., Monday, Jan. 27.

Bills were introduced in both the Senate and House to-night to repeal the Gettysburgh Asylum bill, but no final action was taken.

Organization of the Conservatives in Mississippi.

The Central Committee appointed at the recent consultation of prominent Conservatives of Mississippi, who are determined to act hereafter with the National Democratic Party, met in Jackson, on the 22d inst., and resolved to call a State Convention at an early day. One of a series of resolutions adopted was as follows:

Resolved, By this Committee, that a Central Democratic Association be formed at the City of Jackson to be composed of the free white male citizens, qualified electors under the Constitution of the State, and who are opposed to Congressional usurpation, military despotism, negro suffrage and negro governments—that for this purpose a public meeting of said electors shall be held in the City Hall, Jackson, on Saturday, Feb. 1; and that when organized, said association may adopt such rules for its government, and such political measures as they may deem proper to unite the voice of the State upon the principles of the party, and to cooperate with the National Democracy in the patriotic effort they are now making to restore the Federal Government on a constitutional basis—to repeal the Military bills of Congress for the reconstruction of the Southern States—to defeat negro suffrage and negro governments therein—and to restore said States to their lawful right of representation in Congress.

The following letter has been addressed by Col. E. M. YERGER to a number of delegates to the Convention soliciting his views:

JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 17, 1868.

GENTLEMEN: Your letter of this date is at hand, and I have no hesitancy in making an immediate response. Earnestly advocating in the past the policy of pursuing our local struggle against radicalism, under the name of the Constitutional Union Party, which has exhibited so much strength and wisdom, I am not prepared to abandon my former convictions in this regard, but whatever opinions I may entertain concerning the policy adopted by the Convention, since our principles were preserved by the unanimous voice of the Convention, I cannot in my deliberate judgment sanction a third party movement. If it was impolitic to adopt the Democratic name, it would be disastrous if the Conservatives were divided; and hence I say to you, my friends, and to all who have acted with me in this momentous struggle, in my judgment it is our duty, nay, our salvation, to strike together:

"To do is to succeed—our fight
Is waged in Heaven's approving sight,"

and our banners already reflect the coming victory. The enemy is full of the energy of vice, but by united and determined action we shall soon convince him of the impotency of his power. Some who are now with us were hopeless in the past; but as they now strike hands with us in rejecting the ultimatum of a revolutionary assembly calling itself the Congress of the United States, we must recognize them as patriots battling in a common cause. Now is the time for old feuds to be healed, and firmer friendships formed. It is related of the Earl of March, before the battle of Mortimer's Cross, that he saw three suns move and mingle into one before the culmination of his prosperity—perhaps our life, and warmth, and splendor is at hand. I confidently believe, although the political sky is overcast with clouds, if the Conservatives of the Union all move together, we are on the verge of the greatest prosperity that ever visited any people. Although the red hand of war is threatening, it matters not—if we are all united, all is well.

For these reasons, I have consented to act as a member of the Central Executive Committee. I am, gentlemen, Yours very respectfully,

E. M. YERGER.

FORTIETH CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 27.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

The Chair laid before the Senate a petition of the Constitutional Convention of Georgia, relative to the reorganization of State Governments in the South. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Also, from the Constitutional Convention of Mississippi, praying for the extension of the Freedmen's Bureau. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Also, the petition of citizens of Massachusetts, in relation to the rights of adopted citizens abroad.

Also, a communication from Gen. HOWARD, in reply to a resolution of inquiry setting forth facts in regard to the discontinuance of the Freedmen's Bureau in Kentucky, Tennessee and Maryland.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Mr. FERRY introduced a bill to allow importation of dye-stuffs free of duty. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. WILSON introduced a bill to relieve the disabilities of certain persons in Virginia. Referred to the Judiciary Committee. Also, a bill to permit officers and soldiers to wear corps badges for services during the War. Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. SUMNER offered a resolution asking the President for information relative to the trial of the Rev. McMARRON, ROBERT LYNCH, and others by the British Government. Adopted.

Mr. TRUMBULL offered a resolution calling for information relative to the disposition of captured and abandoned property.

BILL TO RELIEVE GOVERNOR PATTON.

On motion of Mr. STUART the Senate took up the bill to relieve the disabilities of ROBERT M. PATTON, of Alabama.

Mr. STUART said the petition was signed by Gen. Swayne, and thirty-seven members of the Constitutional Convention, and read a letter from Gen. POPE to Gen. GRANT, favoring the removal of the disabilities, and saying he had rendered good assistance in carrying out the Reconstruction act. Mr. STUART stated that the Governor had been a good Union man, but engaged in the rebellion in a civil capacity, and could not take the oath.

Mr. POMEROY favored the bill, saying there were many similar cases in the South, where many persons were willing to comply with the Reconstruction acts, and ought to be relieved.

Mr. HOWARD took the same view. He would support the bill because Mr. PATTON had shown his faith by his works, and that Congress would thus increase its friends in the South.

Mr. DRAKE opposed the bill on the ground that the time has not yet arrived when they could judge of the repentance of rebels, nor will it until reconstruction is finished.

Mr. DOOLITTLE spoke in opposition to special legislation of this kind in individual cases. They should either repeal disabling laws, or mitigate them if they did not operate well. Such bills as the present would operate unjustly in preferring such men as Mr. PATTON, who was no more meritorious than thousands of others.

Mr. JOHNSON said, while he would vote for the bill, he would prefer a general amnesty law, which he hoped would not be long deferred. In the meantime he would vote in favor of such application.

RAILROAD LANDS.

Mr. ROSS introduced a bill granting lands to aid in the construction of a railroad and telegraph line from Fort Scott, Kansas, westwardly *via* the junction of the Little Arkansas and Arkansas Rivers in the direction of Santa Fé, New-Mexico. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

THE DUTIES OF CONGRESS.

Mr. DAVIS offered a resolution, in effect that:

Whereas, The people of the United States are grievously burdened with an enormous public debt and an unequal and unjust taxation; their industry and business being disorganized and decreased by the ravages of war and the subsequent misgovernment and wasteful expenditure; now, to inaugurate some measures for their relief; be it

Resolved, That Congress ought at once to cease its war upon the Constitution, the States and the people, and the white people of the Southern States, and give faithful attention to its own appropriate duties; that the people of the Southern States ought not to be further obstructed by Congress in their efforts to resume their proper relations to the Government of the United States under the Constitution, and to regain their former prosperity by undivided attention to their business and industries; that Congress ought to immediately enter upon a thorough system of reform, retrenchment and economy in the administration of every branch of the public service; that the Freedmen's Bureau should be forthwith abolished, in order to save the tens of millions it annually costs, and to leave the black and white race to choose their own fields of labor and struggle for their own support; that, to relieve the people from the payment of other taxes to the amount of $25,000,000 annually, the standing army should be reduced to 20,000 men; that, to save a further heavy draft on the Treasury, the reconstruction policy of Congress should be abandoned; that the unconstitutional tax on cotton should be abolished, and the tax collected refunded; that spirits, tobacco and luxuries should be so taxed as to provide the largest amount of revenue from them, and with this view and to prevent fraud and perjuries, the tax on whisky should be 50 cents per gallon, payable by distillers; that United States bonds should be reasonably taxed; that the necessaries of life, raw material and other articles entering into manufactures and ship-building, should be subjected to the lowest rates of duty that the necessities of the Government will permit.

Laid on the table.

THE PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Mr. TRAVER introduced a bill providing that nothing in the acts of Congress authorizing the construction of the Pacific Railroad shall be held to withdraw or exclude from preemption or homestead settlements the even-numbered sections along such routes as have been or may hereafter be located. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

THE INTERNATIONAL MARITIME EXPOSITION.

The morning hour having expired, the special order was announced to be the resolution for detailing by the Secretary of the Navy of one or more naval officers to attend the International Maritime Exhibition at Havre.

Mr. SUMNER presented a resolution saying that even the secondary Governments would have such representatives—such as Greece and the German States. This Government having much larger interests in the Exhibition, it would be attended with no expense.

Mr. TRUMBULL opposed the resolution. It was an exhibition mostly of articles already shown at Paris, and he was informed that the French Emperor and the Prince Imperial were to draw prizes. He moved to postpone the resolution.

Mr. SUMNER quoted the saying, "Nobility obliges," and said commerce imposed obligations upon nations like us. He again urged the importance of the immediate passage of the resolution.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, was opposed to competing when we were sure to be beaten and disgraced, as we were at Paris. He would not make any national exhibitions. Those Imperial Governments were sure to outshine us. If their exhibitions were at New-York, doubtless we could successfully compete with other nations.

Mr. TRUMBULL read a list of articles to be exhibited, including corn, oil, and other merchandise, to show that it was not a mere naval exhibition, and further opposed the bill on the ground of expense.

On motion of Mr. STEWART the resolution was laid on the table.

THE NEW RECONSTRUCTION BILL.

On motion of Mr. CONNESS, the Supplementary Reconstruction bill was taken up. The question was on Mr. DOOLITTLE'S motion to instruct the Judiciary Committee to report his amendment.

Mr. WILSON took the floor. He had not been aware, when Mr. DOOLITTLE insisted upon occupying the morning hour on Thursday, that it had been authoritatively announced that the Senator was to deliver a long, premeditated and carefully prepared speech, laying down a platform for the Conservative Party in the coming election. He had never heard a more unpatriotic, inhuman and wicked speech. After alluding to the President and others as men who abandoned their friends and assailed them, and misrepresented their purposes, he said that the Senator's purpose was to overthrow the nearly completed policy of reconstruction. He recited and proved the progress of those States which were under the Reconstruction acts, and showed that they were more liberty, law and order than ever before during the century. One Constitution had already been completed which was one of the best in the country, and the others would be within thirty days. The Senator and President know they were republican in form, and hence their opposition, and wish to have them overthrown by unrepentent rebels. It was a movement against the rights of man. They had never degraded a black laboring man without degrading a white laboring man. He hoped working-men would note the proposed freehold qualification. They would condemn it. He denied Mr. DOOLITTLE'S assertion on authority of military men, that the blacks were not loyal during the war. They had wisely not risen in insurrection, but biding their time had helped loyal men when they could. He also denied the assertion that a civil war was impending in the South, made by Mr. DOOLITTLE, on authority of ALEXANDER STEPHENS and others. Mr. STEPHENS had falsified the position he took when prisoner in the North, in favor of the rights of the blacks. The prediction was made by men who had been on the side of brutal barbarism, who had made many other unfulfilled predictions. The President had originated the Senator's ideas about Southern radicals by talking about rebels, both sides of the line. The Senator deserted Northern for Southern radicalism. Mr. WILSON here contrasted the feeling of the Southern and Northern radicals as to liberty at home and abroad, contending that the latter were champions of liberty everywhere, and that the human race could not afford, he could almost say without irreverence, that God could not afford to have their almost completed policy stricken down by such efforts as that of the Senator from Wisconsin. Speaking of the Senator's claim that large numbers of the Republicans would desert the Northern Radicals in that policy, he said he remembered when that hopeful Senator had found himself mistaken in trying to catch the Northern vote for principles enunciated by himself and associates in the Philadelphia Convention. The North would stand as a unite, and deserters, like the Senator, from the ranks of Radicals would soon be asking admission. The acts of the Southern Radicals in relation to Kansas had culminated in the Dred Scott decision, and their policy being opposed by the Northern Radicals they had imbrued the country in blood and murdered the President. The Northern Radicals, by a series of acts, had established liberty and justice, and meant to stand by them and win. He reiterated the opinion that before the 4th of July next the Southern States would be represented here by loyal men, and he would be glad then to see the Senator and his friends take the government out of the hands of those men who would restore peace and order to their country. They were not barbarized, as the Senator claimed, but fighting against the barbarous systematic of their old rebel masters and for the cause of Christian civilization. He closed by taking the yeas and nays on the amendment.

Mr. JOHNSON next addressed the Senate. It had not been his purpose to speak on the general question until the measures were regularly brought before the Senate, and he therefore regretted that the amendment was introduced. But as doctrines had been advanced, in his opinion, contrary to the teachings of the Constitution, he would attempt to correct some suggestions that had been made. The Senator from Illinois, (TRUMBULL,) claimed that the Supreme Court had at first doubted its power to decide on the constitutionality of the laws passed by Congress. The Constitution going into practical operation in 1789, the Judiciary act of that year provided in regard to the powers of the Judiciary, authorizing them in consonance with the second section of the third article of the Constitution, to have jurisdiction of such question. Afterward the Circuit Court of New-York declared a certain pension act void; that involved the question. The same question was decided by the Judiciary of South Carolina and other States. And the Supreme Court unhesitatingly ratified that decision, and many decisions; since that, the doctrine was maintained, though it was true, that Chief Justice MARSHALL had argued in order to satisfy the public mind that the legislative department would not be interfered with, except in cases wherein there could not be a doubt. He said neither HAMILTON nor any other member of the Convention who framed the Constitution ever expressed a doubt, not only that this power was included in the Constitution, but that freedom would be insecure without it. He quoted from HAMILTON'S writing in the *Federalist* the opinion that the judicial existed coördinate with the legislative power, and that without this power the people would be unsafe. He also quoted from Chancellor KENT to the effect that every act of the legislative power contrary to the Constitution was subject to being so decided by the Judiciary, and said that without such a state of things the country would not have prospered as it has. Referring to the debate between WEBSTER and HAYNE, he said that when the latter claimed for the States the power to decide whether or not the Constitution was obligatory upon them, denouncing the doctrine that the Judiciary had such power, WEBSTER, assailing the doctrine of secession, argued in a powerful speech that the Judiciary alone had power to decide such a question; construing that to be the only peaceful remedy existing, to decide differences between States and the United States, or between citizens of any State and Congress.

Mr. JOHNSON, in proceeding to combat the views expressed by Mr. MORTON on Friday last, paid a high tribute to that Senator's effort for eloquence, argumentative powers and moderation, saying that it recalled the standard of former days. It contained, he said, nevertheless, doctrines foreign to the Constitution. The Senator had doubtless seen that, unless he interpolated into the clause of the Constitution, from which he claimed these powers for Congress, words not there found, he could not successfully defend them. He had read the clause as if it guaranteed through Congress a loyal form of government to every State, interpolating the word "loyal" on the ground that loyalty was and must be inherent. The object of the Convention framing that Constitution was to preserve that unity of form of republican liberty, leaving evils to be corrected by the better judgment of the people. In most of these States Slavery existed, and the Constitution contained a provision by which the number of slaves could be increased for a period of twenty years, by immigration, and most of them required others to be of a certain age, and to have resided for a certain time in his State. But nobody in that convention imagined in framing his name to that instrument that it contained any provision for taking away from a State its sovereignty, to prescribe qualifications for voters, or those to be voted for. Such a doctrine was antagonistic to the true spirit of the Constitution of the United States, and fatal to the continued existence of the Government. He never would have dreamed of imputing disloyalty to JEFFERSON in 1799, in the sense in which the Senator from Indiana (Mr. MORTON) made such imputations. Was his State (Maryland) disloyal in the view of that Senator when he declined that republican forms of Government cannot be secured unless Congress frame Constitutions for them, or prescribe conditions without which they cannot enter the Union as States? It was claimed that its Government was in the hands of persons who had sympathized with the rebellion. It was not for him (Mr. JOHNSON) to comment upon those persons, but in his judgment the people of that Government rightfully, as under the Constitution and laws of State and of the United States were concerned. He was satisfied they had erred in their sympathizing and if wiser counsels had not prevailed, by which the State was reclaimed within the orbit o. its duty, she would have been the battle-ground of the war, and instead of being the abode of happiness and freedom, she might have shared the same fate as those that engaged in the idle and unconstitutional attempt to destroy that Government. But the rebellion was now at an end, and no man dreamed of reviving it; it was insane in its origin, as well as unconstitutional, and was fatal, as he expected from the first, to the very institution on which it was founded, and terrible as had been the consequences of that rebellion there was to be found in the fact that slavery was no longer a blot upon the fair fame of this nation compensation almost entire. Another compensation was found in the fact that the doctrine of secession was forever ended, and he saw no reason why, if they moved within the respective orbits to which States and United States were limited the nation should not continue to exist forever chief among the nations of the earth. It was a universal principle of the Constitution that in ascertaining the meaning of any particular clause it should be read in connection with other clauses, and that Senator had disregarded other clauses intended to restrict this and every other clause of the Constitution. Referring to the proposition of bills of attainder or *ex post facto* laws by Congress, he said the framers of the Constitution, imbued with the spirit of liberty, had felt it their duty to prohibit such legislation; and again, urged by the overpowering influence of the governments of the Old World and their theories on the subject of governments, our fathers had specified in what alone treason should consist. England's preservation of civil rights had made her the freest Government in the world until we became freer than she. It was impossible to guard the citizen against the danger from military power if every man held not the right to demand the protection of the Constitution. While he had a grateful sense of what the country owed to Gen. GRANT, were he WASHINGTON himself, he (Mr. JOHNSON,) would not intrust him with the powers conferred by this bill, disregarding all the safeguards of the rights of the people of the South. It—the clause quoted by the Senator—stood alone; the things alluded to by him could not be done, but the Constitution restrained Congress from passing such laws under positive prohibitions. The Senator from Indiana could not survive him in inconsistency in regard to the continued existence of States. He had always maintained they had never ceased to be such. The act of July, 1861, giving the power to declare the existence of insurrection, provided that the power of forcibly executing the laws there should cease on the restablishment of the power of the Government. He was glad to know that he had the support of Chief Justice CHASE, who, when he opened his Court in South Carolina, decided in the case of a gentleman, creditor, suing a South Carolina man who had paid the bond over under the Confederate act of sequestration, that such act was void, being done under a Government that was illegal, and that the acts of secession never took the State out of the Union. There was ample and high contradiction of the claim that those States, by reason of secession, were reduced to the condition of Territories. And was the war now at an end? The supreme Court in the Milligan case so held, the Chief Justice though differing from the majority in the main question still held, in his dissenting opinion, that when the war terminated the laws were restored and the offenders should be tried by civil authorities. On the vocabulary of the Constitution there was no such word as "necessity," as claimed by those who would make one Constitution for the South and another for the North. It was idle to deny that a large number of the Republican Party was ever opposed to the measures of Congress either for legislating as they did on or in failing to legislate otherwise. The most intelligent newspapers took the same view. Referring to the unsettled condition of the country, and the impending repudiation, he urged the bringing back the South and restoring to the revenues of commerce her means of wealth, and so would they belie the existing belief that Congress was legislating for a continuance of power and not for the best interests of the country, and answer the prayers for harmony of thousands of tongues that ascend every morning.

RELIEF FOR GOV. PATTON.

At the conclusion of Mr. JOHNSON'S remarks, on motion of Mr. STEWART the bill for the relief of the disabilities of ROBERT M. PATTON was then taken up, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, having the floor on the pending bill, which was temporarily laid aside.

Mr. DAVIS opposed the bill, saying the application was dictated by a desire to get office, and proceeded to denounce him and others coming on the same errands as double traitors.

Mr. STEWART said, perhaps the Senator did not understand that Gov. PATTON had been pardoned by the President and appointed a provisional governor.

Mr. DAVIS asked if that made him any better.

Mr. STEWART thought not. The difference between him and others who had been pardoned was that he had repented of his crime and they had not. He appealed to the South generally to do likewise, and Congress would gladly receive them. The failure of the argument of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. JOHNSON) was in his failure to see the requirement of loyalty in the Constitution. Should one of these States be asked to establish a government hostile to the United States had not Congress a right to repudiate it?

Mr. BUCKALEW again argued against setting the precedent of individual preference as entailing a great deal of unnecessary trouble for the sake of individuals seeking office. He would support a general amnesty bill.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN said the bill did not empower him to hold office or do anything but vote.

After further debate by Messrs. STEWART, BUCKALEW and HENDRICKS, in the course of which Mr. HENDRICKS argued that the clause excluding from amnesty those who had taken oaths of office was unjust and wrong in principle, and that such oaths, so far as they regarded loyalty, allegiance, &c., were binding only during continuance in office.

The amendment of the Committee restricting the removal of disabilities to those entailed by the Reconstruction Act, was agreed to.

The bill was passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Cattell, Cole, Conkling, Conness, Corbett, Cragin, Doolittle, Frelinghuysen, Harlan, Howe, Johnson, Morrill of Maine, Morrill of Vermont, Nye, Patterson of New-Hampshire, Patterson of Pennsylvania, Ramsey, Ross, Stewart, Thayer, Tipton, Trumbull, Van Winkle, Williams, Wilson—24.

NAYS—Buckalew, Davis, Drake, Fowler, Hendricks—5.

The Senate at 5 o'clock adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Massachusetts, presented resolutions of a mass meeting held at Fitchburg, Mass., in favor of protection to naturalized citizens, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

The Speaker then proceeded, as the business in the morning hour on Monday, to the call of States for bills and joint resolutions.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

Under the call bills were introduced, read twice, and referred as follows:

By Mr. STEVENS, of New-Hampshire—To make partial compensation for the expenses incurred in the prosecution of the war by providing for the taxation of national bonds, which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania—Relating to suffrage on national questions, which was referred to the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union.

It gives the right of voting on all Presidential elections, and on all national questions, to every citizen of the United States over 21 years of age, who shall have resided ten days in the district. This is not to affect municipal questions, but to apply to all State elections. All such elections are to be by ballot.

Mr. STEVENS subsequently withdrew the bill, as he wanted to get it in position where it could be called up at any time.

By Mr. FERRIS—Granting the right of way through the Government property at Plattsburgh, N. Y., to the Whitehall and Plattsburgh Railroad Company, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. TABER—The resolutions of the New-York Legislature for the removal of the obstructions at Hell-Gate, New-York Harbor, which were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. VAN WYCK—Granting land in aid of the Midland Pacific Railway Company, for a railroad in Nebraska, which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. MYERS—Directing that all agents of any department of the Government whose salary shall exceed $500 shall be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and providing that the terms of all such officers now appointed shall cease in thirty days after the passage of this act.

This bill was referred to the Committee on Retrenchment.

By Mr. O'NEILL—To extend the boundaries of the collection district of Philadelphia so as to include the whole of the consolidated City of Philadelphia, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. MILLER—To prohibit the Assessors and Collectors of internal revenue, and their deputies, from being interested, directly or indirectly, in any forfeiture for violation of the Revenue laws; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ASHLEY, of Ohio—To provide a temporary government in the Territory of Wyoming; which was referred to the Committee on Territories.

By Mr. CAREY—To establish a uniform currency, and provide for the management and liquidation of the railroad debt; which was referred to the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union.

It provides for the issue of Treasury Certificates as a legal tender for all purposes, and for the cal

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THE SOUTHERN STATES.

Condition and Prospects of the People of the Southern States.

From our special Correspondent.

ATLANTA, Ga., Thursday, Jan. 23, 1868.

During my stay here I have met and conversed with a number of men from every portion of this State, and I have also met several from Alabama, Florida and South Carolina, representing all classes of society and every calling, and all concur in the gloomiest and most lamentable accounts of the condition of the people in their respective localities. I sought the opinion of what states now the foregoing is a faithful picture of what exists now in Georgia. I have also conversed with numerous persons from other States, who have come to see for themselves, and all concur in the statement that the picture is not overdrawn, even are, with my own eyes and heard with my own ears. The apprehension of trouble among the people has been made, everybody said he was going to leave the State if the new election law was forced into operation, for they could not possibly remain and be subjected to the indignities which were heaped upon them by the Radical party. Many have left the State, and the distress of the country at this time is very great. I have been informed that the people of Georgia have expended during the present year, in the purchase of provisions, at least $10,000,000 more than they have received for the products of their farms. This amount has been paid out of the proceeds of the sale of property, and the failure of crops, I found universal belief of sympathy, but hardly one disposed to pay the debt he owed for others. He was sued, judgment obtained, and property levied upon, and sold by the sheriff, and bought in by a Yankee speculator, who will not be able to realize enough from the property to pay the debt for which it was sold, and for less than one-third of the amount due to the original creditor. Now this poor man is without a home or a foot of land, and is but one among many instances of a similar character.

I have taken pains to inquire into the truth of the representations made to me concerning the distress and the inability of the planters. I am sorry to say that the more I investigate the more gloomy and painful are the accounts I hear. From every locality are from every portion of the State, and in some instances of a later date, the Universal complaint is the want of money to buy food and clothing. In the cities and towns trade is almost stagnant. Improvements are daily being stopped for the want of means to carry them on. Mechanics, because they have lost so much property, are intimidated for fear, when they complete a job of work, they will not be paid for it. Many have not the means to buy provisions for the coming year, and even those who have been enabled to make a crop will be compelled to sell at a sacrifice, for they have not the means to hold it. Many have not the means to buy seed, and will be compelled to borrow it, and pay a large interest for the use of it. Many have not the means to buy mules, and in some instances of a later date, have been obliged to sell them at a sacrifice to prevent their starving to death. Many have lost so much property by being robbed, and from the want of protection, that they cannot hope to make anything like a support for their families. Many have been discouraged from making any effort, because they have not the means to buy provisions for the support of their families while they are making a crop, and have been obliged to sell their stock at a sacrifice to prevent their starving to death. From every quarter the cry is heard, "We are starving!" "We are starving!" and from every locality the most heartrending appeals are made for provisions to keep the people from starving. Many have been unable to get provisions, even when they had the money to pay for them, and have been compelled to leave their families and go in search of provisions, and in some instances have been robbed of the money they had to buy provisions with. Many have been unable to get provisions, even when they had the money to pay for them, and have been compelled to leave their families and go in search of provisions, and in some instances have been robbed of the money they had to buy provisions with. Many have been unable to get provisions, even when they had the money to pay for them, and have been compelled to leave their families and go in search of provisions, and in some instances have been robbed of the money they had to buy provisions with.

I have conversed with many gentlemen who have been members of the Legislature, and they all concur in the opinion that the Legislature will be compelled to appropriate from the Treasury a large amount of money to buy provisions for the people, or they will starve. Many have been compelled to sell their stock at a sacrifice to prevent their starving to death. Many have not the means to buy seed, and will be compelled to borrow it, and pay a large interest for the use of it. Many have not the means to buy mules, and in some instances of a later date, have been obliged to sell them at a sacrifice to prevent their starving to death

their duty to testify by their acts that they fully and sincerely appreciated them. Miss GOODRICH next conveyed to the Midnight Mission, and considered that those who were engaged in carrying out its work were performing a noble and sacred duty to individuals and to society at large. She hoped it would never languish for want of public countenance and support. At the close of her lecture Miss GOODRICH was again made the recipient of long-continued applause.

The Weather.

The snow storm, which commenced during the night of Sunday, although of longer continuance than some of its predecessors, was also much less severe than some of them. The fall in the city has been a gentle one, unaccompanied by drift, and so soft that it has been easily disposed of before accumulating in quantity sufficient to impede either foot-path or street travel. It was found necessary yesterday, however, to put double teams to the street cars of those lines that run on time. On the less punctual routes they managed to get along with single teams. The prospect is that our streets will be the home of "slush" again for several days to come.

NEW SNOW PLOWS.

The Bleecker-street line of cars yesterday tried two snow plows of novel construction. Owing to the narrowness of the streets through which this road passes the ordinary plows cannot be used to clear the track. Yesterday a plow was tried consisting of a piece of iron attached to springs in front of each wheel of the car, so as to slide along the track and remove the snow. In case of meeting with any permanent obstruction, the plow, by means of its springs, passes over it. It entirely prevents anything getting beneath the wheels of the cars, and should a person be unfortunate enough to fall in front of the car the plow would throw him clear of the wheels. It appeared to answer the purpose for which it was designed. It can be fixed to any car and removed at pleasure. The second plow, or rather sweeper, consists of a revolving brush placed in front of the fore wheels of the car, and raised or lowered by a lever. It requires an extra man to manage it, and probably would be of little use in a deep snow or when the snow is frozen on the rails.

THE ICE IN THE RIVERS.

There is still much ice in both North and East Rivers, but not in such quantity nor of quality so tenacious as that of last week. The milder temperature of the past two days has caused many of the larger floes to break up, and others to become spongy and sink. Considering the quantity of ice which we have had in the rivers during the latter part of December and nearly all of this month, the ferry-boat travel has been remarkably regular and free of accident.

Annual Report of the St. Francisus Hospital.

The annual report of this institution, situated at Nos. 407 and 409 Fifth-street, and 173 Sixth-street, will shortly be given to the public. It sets forth that the buildings were made ready for the reception of patients at the end of 1865. On the 16th of February, 1866, the hospital was incorporated as a charity hospital. Patients are taken at this hospital without regard to their nationality or religious persuasion. The total number of patients treated, from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1866, was 485, of which 57 (11 per cent.) died, 358 were discharged cured or greatly improved, and 70 remained under treatment on Jan. 1, 1867. The total number of patients treated from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1867, was 592, of which 88 (14.8-10 per cent.) died, 423 were discharged cured or greatly improved, and 81 remained under treatment Jan. 1, 1868. Many poor old invalids have been admitted to the Hospital and taken care of in a ward set especially apart for them. Many poor but healthy people have come to the Hospital who, unable to get employment, and quite destitute, begged for something to eat. The managers improvised a public dining-room in the front basement of the house, where often as many as 130 are fed every day. The report calls attention to the untiring energy and tireless devotion of the Sisters in the performance of their self-imposed duties, and states that the constantly increasing demand of patients to be admitted to the Hospital renders it absolutely necessary to have increased accommodations, and it is hoped that the public will contribute liberally toward attaining the end sought.

POLICE COURTS.

THE TOMBS—HOGAN, JUSTICE.

A COSTLY SPREE.

PETER BAYER resides at No. 211 William-street, and on Sunday night entered the saloon of EMELIA VINDASS, in Chatham-street, for the avowed purpose of procuring some wine. He there became interested in the conversation of ANNA LUTE, and he and she, aided by the proprietress "punished" several bottles of wine. Soon after EMELIA VINDASS left the saloon, and as BAYER wished to see her he followed her to another saloon near by, but as he did not find her he again called for wine, but on producing his pocket-book to pay for it he was astonished to find that he had been robbed of $210 in cash. Both EMELIA and ANNA were arrested, despite their protestations of innocence, and being arraigned before the magistrate, were remanded for examination.

THE KNIFE.

Officer MALLOY, of the Fifth Precinct, arrested JOHN CAUMODY, a sailor, aged 29, and arraigned him before the magistrate yesterday on a charge of having stabbed TIMOTHY LEARY, in consequence of a quarrel in a basement in Washington-street, near Canal. The men had been put down and were separated, LEARY walking away. He was followed by the prisoner, who renewed the quarrel, and finally stabbed him in the abdomen with a sheath-knife. The wounded man is now in the New-York Hospital in a critical condition. CARMODY was remanded to await the result.

A BAD WAITER.

AUGUST RICKERT, a waiter employed by H. W. WEBER, proprietor of the restaurant No. 8 Pearl-street, was arrested yesterday on his employer's complaint. When arraigned before the magistrate, Mr. WEBER stated that the prisoner, on the 2d of last November, stole a pocket-book containing $75 from his (WEBER's) coat as it hung up in the saloon. As the prisoner admitted the fact, he was held for trial.

ESSEX MARKET—MANSFIELD, JUSTICE.

ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO POISON.

Mrs. SOPHIA HAMILTON, of No. 25 Forsyth-street, made a statement from which it appears that she is the mother of two children, ELIZABETH and EDWARD, aged 8 and 6 years respectively. As a nurse for these children, on the 1st of November last she engaged MARY ANN FIEB, the daughter of a respectable mechanic and now in her sixteenth year. Mistress and maid do not appear to have maintained very amicable relations and on Wednesday last Mrs. HAMILTON chastised the girl for some misdemeanor, and the latter in her resentment threatened that she would be revenged. On Saturday Mrs. HAMILTON left home for some time, leaving the children alone with MARY ANN, and also leaving upon the mantel a box tightly sealed and containing ratabane. During her absence, she alleges the girl opened the box, and spreading a portion of it thickly upon two pieces of bread offered it to the children. The elder, being aware that the substance was poison, refused the offered lunch, and also prevented her brother from partaking. Whereupon MARY ANN whipped the children, it is stated, in so brutal a manner that their cries called in the neighbors. The accused was in court with her father, and at the request of Mrs. HAMILTON she was committed for six months to the House of the Good Shepherd. Mrs. HAMILTON stating that she did not believe that the girl intended to do more than make the children sick, and she therefore declined to prefer a charge against her.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

JOHN TURNER was intercepted leaving the house of MICHAEL H. MURPHY, No. 195 Madison-street, and having in his possession a coat valued at $15, belonging to the latter. He was committed in default of $300 bail for trial at the Special Sessions.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

BURNING OF A FERRY-BOAT.—The New-York and Erie Railroad Co.'s ferry-boat *Niagara* was burned on Sunday night, off Pavonia ferry, Jersey City. The fire was seen by the watchman in charge of the wrecking steamer *John Fuller*, while lying at Pier 45, North River. The *Fuller*, being kept with steam up all night, for fire and wrecking purposes, was in immediate readiness, and proceeded at once to the burning ferry-boat, which she found drifting down on the large fleet of sailing vessels at anchor on the Jersey Flats. Finding no person on board the *Niagara* the crew of the *John Fuller* took charge, and by great exertion succeeded with the aid of eight powerful streams of water in subduing the flames by flooding the ferryboat. By order of the Superintendant, Mr. MCINTOSH, the *Fuller* was then set to work to pump and float the *Niagara*, and she now lies at the ferry slip with her upper works and part of her deck burned off, but her hull, machinery and boiler uninjured.

THE SOCIAL EVIL.—Superintendent JOHN A. KENNEDY yesterday submitted a detailed report to the Board of Police Commissioners on the condition of the abandoned women in the cities of New York and Brooklyn. It appears from this report that the whole number of houses of prostitution is 626; of houses of assignation, 99; of saloons where waiter girls attend, 33; of public prostitutes, 2,070, and of waiter girls, 245, showing a reduction during the past year, except as regards assignation houses, of which there has been a small increase. The reduction in the City of New-York during the year is as follows: Houses of prostitution, 46; of saloons with waiter girls, 6; of public prostitutes, 507; of waiter girls, 92; and the increase of assignation houses is 2. The aggregate number of such establishments in the two cities is 657, and of the females, 2,718.

JUBILEE OF THE REFORMATION.—The 31st of last October completed the 350th year since the ninety-and-five Theses were nailed on the church door at Wittemberg; and in commemoration of this great event the Lutheran Church in this country, comprising 49 synods, 1,780 ministers and 839,158 communicants, have set apart one year as a Jubilee, during which special services are to be held. It will be noticed in our advertising columns that the English Lutheran Church on Fifteenth-street, near Third-avenue, hold such a celebration to-night, and that several of the prominent clergymen of different denominations in the City will take part in the exercises.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT AT ROBBERY.—About 10 o'clock yesterday morning, as BANTIE PLATEN a porter employed by A. H. SOLOMON, of No. 76 Broadstreet, was returning from the New-York Safe Deposits Company's office, with a cash-box containing $11,000 in money, he was met in the hallway of his employer's premises by two men who threw some ground pepper in his eyes and attempted to seize the box. Although quite blinded by the pepper, the porter managed to keep possession of the cash-box, giving so vigorous an alarm that the ruffians abandoned the struggle and made their escape empty-handed. Beyond the fact that the thieves wore army blue overcoats, no other description of them can be furnished.

ARRIVALS IN THE CITY.—Hon. H. C. Lord, of Cincinnati; Hon. Z. Pratt, of New-Haven; Hon. J. V. Farnsworth, of Illinois; Hon. George Davis, of North Carolina; Gen. J. W. Sloss, of Nashville, and Hon. J. Langdon, of Elmira, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Gen. Hallowell, of Boston, is at the Brevoort House. Commodores Watson, R. B. Lowry and Paymaster Spalding, U. S. N., are at the Hoffman House. Capt. Alleyne, of the Royal Artillery, is at the Clarendon Hotel. Gen. Gibson, of Louisiana, is at the New-York Hotel. Hon. J. W. Allison, of Philadelphia; Hon. D. S. Jenkinson, of Trenton, and Hon. A. G. Hill, of Boston, are at the Metropolitan Hotel. Gen. Thomas D. Johns, of San Francisco, is at the Astor House.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR SEAMEN.—Under the auspices of this Society, 600 public services were held during the past year, attended by upwards of 25,000 seamen and boatmen in the aggregate. The missionaries during that period had personal interviews with more than 1,000 sick sailors in the hospitals in this City and vicinity. Between 500 and 600 sailors boarded during the year at the Sailors' Home, in Franklin-square, many of whom, being destitute, were gratuitously provided for. In our report yesterday of the church meeting in behalf of the Society, the number of sailors thus cared for was inadvertently understated.

THE LATE PETER FORCE.—At the regular monthly meeting of the New-York Typographical Society, on Saturday evening, Mr. CHAS. MCDEVITT rose and announced the death of the oldest member of the Society, Mr. PETER FORCE, who joined that institution in February, 1812. Mr. MCDEVITT having been employed in the same office with Mr. FORCE in their early days, was enabled to relate many interesting facts in regard to the deceased, who always took a warm interest in the progress of the Society. The rooms were ordered to be draped in mourning for the space of one month, as a token of respect to the memory of Mr. FORCE.

VISIT TO MOSCOW.—A lecture entitled "A Visit to Moscow, with Sketches of Russian Life," was delivered last evening at the Church of the Holy Trinity, in Madison-avenue, by REV. J. P. THOMPSON, D. D. The lecture comprised a graphic description of Moscow—the Mother of Cities, as the Russian poet calls her—with the Kremlin, the great bell, the various palaces of the nobility, the churches and the surrounding country. Some interesting sketches of Russian life, with descriptions of the manners and customs of the various nationalities that go to make up the great Empire, were also given.

JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE.—MARTIN SALMONS, who was shot a few days ago by EPHRAIM COON, during a quarrel on religious topics, died yesterday from the effects of the wounds received. The fact that COON had been arrested was published yesterday. Coroner KEENAN held an inquest at the Fifth Ward Station-house, when it appeared that the deceased fired at him first, and that they exchanged three shots afterwards. The jury exonerated him from all blame by a verdict of justifiable homicide, and COON was unconditionally discharged.

FORT SUMTER.—Last evening Lieut.-Gov. STEWART L. WOODFORD repeated his interesting lecture on "Fort Sumter" at the United Presbyterian Church, Twenty-fifth-street. The many exciting incidents connected with the bombardment and the final fall of that resolutely-defended fort, which are embraced in the narrative, together with the speaker's style of address, rendered his lecture very entertaining.

INTERNAL REVENUE.—Nothing new has been developed in the matter of contemplated changes in the Metropolitan Revenue District since Saturday. Yesterday was a very quiet day at headquarters, and few returns of any kind were made. The only seizure reported was that of five barrels of whisky discovered on a Fulton ferry-boat, bound for New-York, and branded JOHN DUNPHY, 108 12th-street, 2d Division, Brooklyn.

ARRIVAL OF THE BRITISH MINISTER.—Mr. EDWARD THORNTON, the newly-appointed representative of Great Britain at Washington, arrived here yesterday in the *Siberia*. Mr. THORNTON was formerly Minister to Brazil. Previous to the death of Sir FREDERICK BRUCE he was tendered the mission to Lisbon, but declined it. He is a "Commoner," but in this country will not be less honored on that account.

THE SUNDAY LAW.—During the twenty-four hours, ending at 6 o'clock on Sunday morning last, there were 305 arrests made by the Metropolitan Police in this City. During the succeeding twenty-four hours, ending at 6 A. M. yesterday, there were only 94 arrests made. This fact speaks well for the observance of the Sunday Liquor law.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

A POLICEMAN SHOT.—Late Sunday evening Officer MESCHUTZ, of the Forty-ninth Precinct, in passing through New-York-avenue, heard a person making a noise in a yard corner of Wyckoff-street. Going to the fence to examine the premises he was shot by some unseen person, the ball taking effect in his left arm, near the shoulder. A private watchman hearing the shot hastened to the officer's assistance, and together they searched the yard, but found no one. The wound is not serious.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.—At the meeting of the Board yesterday, communications from the Street Commissioners were received replying to statements made by the Mayor against him, and to his allegations concerning the expenses of the Fire Department last year. The communications were ordered on file and the Board adjourned.

NEW-JERSEY.

ROBBERIES.—A man giving the name of JOHN BLACK, was arrested about daylight yesterday morning, by Officer BURKE, at the Hoboken Ferry, with a lot of carpenter's tools which were afterward ascertained to be the proceeds of a burglary at Hudson City. Recorder POPE committed the prisoner for trial.... At 1f o'clock yesterday morning, a French woman named JOSEPHINE MYERS, was caught in the act of stealing wearing apparel from the house of Mrs. KENCKEN, No. 76 Washington-street, Hoboken. Articles that had also been stolen from some clothes-lines were found in a capacious petticoat pocket.

SUICIDE BY HANGING.—Coroner WHITE held an inquest, at Hudson City, yesterday, on the body of a German widow woman named WIRTZ, who committed suicide on Sunday forenoon by hanging herself in the house of a man named MEYERS, where she boarded. It appears that the deceased was formerly in affluent circumstances, but was induced to sign over all of her property to her children, who, as is alleged, requited the act by merely paying her board, and this treatment is assigned as the cause of the act. A verdict of death by suicide was rendered.

SERIOUSLY INJURED THROUGH CRIMINAL CARELESSNESS.—A little son, 7 years of age, of JOHN MEYR, residing on the corner of Hoboken and Oakland avenues, Hudson City, was seriously, if not fatally, injured by being run over, at 5 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, by a wagon driven by an unknown man. The boy was playing on the corner of the sidewalk, across which the man drove and knocked the little fellow down, the wheels passing over his body and inflicting internal injuries. The man whipped up his horse and escaped.

INCENDIARY FIRE.—At 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning, a fire which was the work of an incendiary, was discovered in a hay-stack belonging to JOHN GODWIN, on Morgan-street, Union Hill, which being immediately discovered by the militia patrol, was speedily extinguished by the fire department. Loss about $75. The fire was in the immediate vicinity of stables and a block of dwellings, and had it gained full headway, would undoubtedly have caused considerable destruction of property.

ANOTHER FRIGHTFUL ACCIDENT.—At 8 o'clock yesterday morning, JAMES COX, switchman opposite the New-York and Erie milk depot, in attempting to adjust a switch, was run over and had both legs cut off by Engine No. 2. The injured man was taken to his home No. 45 Gregory-street, Jersey City. He is an old and feeble man and cannot recover.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Cardozo, J.—Court opens at 9:30 A. M.—Call of Calendar at 12 M.

Reserved Cases.

Nos.	Nos.
60—Kearney vs. Butler.	246—McGlenner vs. Schick.
70—Kearney vs. Butler.	247—McGlenner vs. Schick.
126—Bruce vs. Jones.	264—Peabody vs. Hart.
151—The Mayor vs. Wood.	271—Ford vs. Northrup.
182—Fleiner vs. Place Sugar Refinery.	276—Bichon vs. Groux.
173—Van Houten vs. Fargo	214—Livingston vs. Robinson.
178—The Mayor vs. Cornelius.	

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

Adjourned to Feb. 24.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART I.

Adjourned for the term.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART II.

Held by Mullin, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
1794—Goodsmith vs. Horse Shoe Co., vs. Star Fire Ins. Co.	703—Boehe vs. Glasgtone.
778—Gambrill et al. vs. Bell et al., Com'rs.	703—VanBeuren vs. Phelps, Jr., et al.
272—Cudhp vs. Traver.	800¾—Baker vs. Rogers.
718—Bellocy et al. vs. Converse et al.	240—Lynch vs. Hiller.
546—Winans vs. Walker et al.	260—McCaffray vs. Lynch.
134—Sharkey vs. Franklin.	278—Peskind vs. Weidt.
118—Bull's Head Bank vs. Dubois.	280—Baldwin et al. vs. Bange et al.
850—Schaefer vs. Kelley, Sheriff.	1308—Richmond vs. Vanzwuth.
726—Makewen vs. Finigan.	362—Buncke vs. Kelly, Sheriff.
346—Roberts vs. Toledo and Wabash R. Co.	644—Hallgarten et al. vs. Farley.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Adjourned for the term.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Held by Gross, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
17—Rosen vs. Sarnem.	210—Williams vs. Sturgis.
190—Abrahams vs. Marks.	221—Lovejoy vs. De Lavarre
207—Sapicha vs. Vatet.	215—Bleeker vs. Breese.
206—Dannigkieb vs. Oberlander.	215—Kaiser vs. Lippman.
—Grossmayer vs. Cohinns	182—The Bishop R. E. Co. vs. Gregowin.
145—Barrett vs. Olute.	220—Bass vs. Farron.
152—Tasto vs. Archibald.	226—Laurent vs. Firent.
155—Robinson vs. Davis.	226—Frankenstein vs Whitely.
—Mooney vs. Showers.	227—Hayes vs. Young.
208—Hudson vs. Joyce.	
109—Degnan vs. Farley.	

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—EASTERN DISTRICT—JAN. 27.

Before Judge Benedict.

The District-Attorney announced that the witnesses in Braine's (alleged piracy) case were summoned to attend to-morrow.

ALLEGED FRAUDS ON THE GOVERNMENT.

The District-Attorney said the Government were ready to move the case against John Devlin. Mr. De Witt, counsel on the other side, regretted that the defence were not prepared to go on with the case. One of the counsel, Mr. Brady, was under the care of a physician, and recommended not to leave his house for the present, but would be able to do so on the morrow, when the case would be gone into without any further application for bail. The District-Attorney raised no objection to the slight postponement asked for. His Honor granted the application for adjournment, but said the case should be proceeded with on this day, even if Mr. Brady were not recovered.

The District-Attorney said that in the case of the first indictment against Devlin, Tappan & Levan, the two witnesses, Osborne and McArdle, being still absent, it was very doubtful whether the Court would be able to dispose of that matter this term. He, however, desired to give the counsel on the other side notice that immediately after the trial which would occur to-morrow, he should move another indictment against Devlin, embracing the four defendants—Devlin, Tappan, Levan and Philips; and the Government would be ready to proceed with the case of those parties.

Mr. De Witt expressed his surprise at the suddenness of the notice of trial given by the prosecution. The term would have to close on the 5th of February, and if the single case against Devlin were to occupy three or four days, that against the four defendants, which involved the examination of a large number of witnesses, would last a much longer time, and could not possibly be disposed of before the end of the term.

The Judge remarked that the case was a most important one, and if commenced he would continue the term, and give the Eastern District Court a preference over the Court in New-York. These cases should be kept right along as fast as the Government could get their witnesses. There were three counsel for the defence, who were abundantly competent to discharge their duties; but if it was their opinion that they could not go on, then other counsel should be employed.

The Court then adjourned.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—JAN. 27.

Before Judge Cardozo.

THE CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND AND PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY AGAIN—AN OPINION BY THE COURT.

Fisk Belden et al. vs. *The Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company.*—Judge CARDOZO has decided some preliminary questions in this case. In doing so he delivered an able and exhaustive opinion upon the points of law submitted to him. For want of space to print the entire opinion, we may sum up what has been decided as follows:

First. That a party may be examined de bene as any other witness previous to trial, or he may be examined for the purpose of obtaining his affidavit to be used on a motion. Second. That a "fishing examination" is not proper, but merely an examination as to the facts known by the party to be within the knowledge of the party examined, and "necessary" to the motion. Third. The correct practice is to first prepare an affidavit and send it to the party whose deposition is desired before applying for an order under section 401, though such a matter is not jurisdictional, and this practice the Judge holds is not under the previous propositions a hardship on the moving party. Fourth—In this case he holds that the failure to present such an affidavit has been, as it can be, waived by the neglect of the party examined to place his refusal to testify on that ground. Fifth—The whole matter rests in the discretion of the Court, and the question whether the Court would make the order for examination when it has been granted, depends on the circumstances of each particular case. The Court may at any stage, if a sufficient affidavit is tendered, and there is no appearance of bad faith, arrest the proceeding, but this should not be done unless it be clear that the affidavit is full and specific in all the points within the deponent's knowledge "necessary" for the party, and to which the witness' affidavit had referred. Sixth—This motion is not a substitute for "discovery," and under it no examination of the books can be had. There is a different remedy for that. On these principles he decides that Mr. Marvin's refusal to sign the affidavit tendered him without specifying any reason, demands that the order against him stand. As to the examination of Tracy, Dows and Tows, they have waived the objection that no affidavit has been presented to them and have refused generally, and on the subsequent refusal to file an affidavit of affidavits by them is a ground for vacating the order requires the examination of all the testimony taken. After such a refusal the Court should not readily cut off the examination. The Court, therefore, does not pass directly upon the refusal of these gentlemen to answer certain questions, but promises in case counsel cannot in the light of his opinion agree to make a formal decision on each question. He urges this the more on counsel that the determination of the right to put some of these questions may involve the merits of the action, the consideration of which he desires to postpone until the main questions are fully argued before him.

A REMARKABLE DIVORCE SUIT.

Appleton vs. *Appleton.*—This case has been before the Court upon several previous occasions. The action is brought in the name of Samuel F. Appleton, for the purpose of annulling a marriage contract made between the parties in the Spring of 1864. It is claimed on one side that the ceremony took place at St. Stephen's Church, in this City, on the 10th of March, 1864, and that at that time the defendant, Amelia, was the wife or one William Warner, having been married to the latter on the 23d of October, 1841, and that a child was born about six weeks thereafter. But the defendant in this suit contends that the last-named marriage took place in 1840, and not in 1841. On the motion now pending the defendant is desirous to amend his answer, and there is also a motion for alimony. A copy of a decree of divorce granted by an Indiana court in the Spring of 1864, between Amelia Warner and William Warner, was produced in evidence. The plaintiff in this suit says the decree made in Indiana is dated one day before the time on which the defendant insists that the marriage between Appleton and Amelia took place. There are allegations in the case that Samuel F. Appleton is at present confined in a certain town in Massachusetts by his brothers, and that he is not in a fit state of mind to initiate or conduct a suit as a party plaintiff. The decision of the Court was reserved.

For plaintiff, Messrs. Martin & Smith; for defendant, Mr. James T. Brady.

INTERESTING QUESTION IN PLEADING.

Calvin P. Bailey, Receiver of the Croton National Bank vs. *John T. Rathbun.*—This is an action on a promissory note for $20,000. The defendant in his answer avers that the making of which he admits, was made for "a particular purpose, and delivered to the officer of the bank for that purpose, but that said bank never used it as directed." The plaintiff moves to have the answer made definite, under section 160 of the Code of Procedure, on the ground that the precise nature of the defence does not appear. Held that the portion of the answer quoted alleges an agreement, and must be amended so as to set forth the terms thereof and the alleged breach with precision.

For the plaintiff, Elliott F. Shepard; for the defendant, Clarkson N. Potter.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

IMPORTANT TO SHIP-OWNERS SELLING THEIR VESSELS AT AUCTION.

Andrew Lillia vs. *James E. Ward & Co.*—This is a suit for the possession of the brig *H. G. Berry*, or for $5,000, the value thereof, and $1,000 damages for non-delivery of the same. Defendants, by written order, directed an auctioneer to sell at public auction at his saleroom on Wall-street, on the 11th day of December, 1865, the brig *H. G. Berry*, then lying in this port and needing repairs, having been ashore. At the sale on Dec. 11, after some half-dozen bids, she was knocked down to plaintiff, the highest bidder, for the sum of $1,660. He tendered the money to the auctioneer, who had made the usual entries in his saleabook, but was directed to take it to defendants or for whom the vessel was sold. He then tendered the money to them, and demanded possession of the vessel but they refused to deliver it and excluded his keeper from her. Whereupon plaintiff brought suit for the vessel, setting forth the facts of the sale and purchase at auction, and the tender by the purchaser to the seller of the purchase money. Defendants demurred to the complaint and argued that the amount being over $50, they were not bound to deliver the vessel unless the contract was in writing and signed by them, or that the auctioneer who was agent for both parties had signed the auctioneer's written contract of sale. The Court below overruled the demurrer, holding that all evidence to the contrary appeared, the presumption of law is that the auctioneer did his duty and made the proper written memorandum in his books, which would bind the seller to deliver the property on tender of the money. The General Term affirmed the judgment below.

Mr. Hawkins for plaintiff; Judge Dean for defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

MOTION FOR INJUNCTION.

Geo. A. Wicks et al. vs. *Michael Christal et al.*—In this case Judge MCCUNN made the following decision:

This case does not call for a temporary injunction for the reason that the judgment is less than $1,500, and the property subject to be tied up is worth upward of $80,000, and furnishes the only support of a large and dependent family. The main question involved in the case is an extremely difficult one; the Court of Appeals has never passed upon it; the decisions of the Supreme Court are contradictory, and, although the opinion of this Court favored the plaintiffs' position, yet if new considerations are presented parties are justified in asking the Court to reconsider the question; and the application being to this discretion of the Court and it being easy for the plaintiffs' speedy trial, the hardship of an injunction ought not to be imposed under the peculiar circumstances in which defendants are placed.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—JAN. 27.

By Judge Cardozo.

Jennie A. McDermott vs. Abagail McDermott et al.; purchasers must complete the purchase.

Tyte vs. Tyte; proof of service wanted.

In the matter of the National Association; memoranda for counsel.

Cragin, Jr., vs. Reed; I see no ground to appoint a Receiver.

Stokes vs. Johnson et al.; motion denied, with $7 costs to abide the event.

Finlay, Jr., vs. McCloskey; see memorandum for counsel.

Whitmarsh et al. vs. Moore; sureties approved.

Fisk & Belden et al. *vs.* Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company; see opinion.

The People, &c., Sperling vs. Kelly; stay to be allowed; ordered to be settled on two days notice.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Judge Russel.

There were no jury trials yesterday at the Court of General Sessions, all the cases being disposed of under pleas of the prisoners.

Christian Frederickson pleaded guilty of embezzlement. He was employed as delivery clerk by Antonio Wejdman, a toy dealer in Grand-street, and on the 27th ult. was sent to carry some goods to a store in the Second-avenue. The amount of the bill which he was instructed to demand was $65 85, and this sum he received upon delivering the goods. He only gave $50, however, to his employer, and kept the balance himself, saying that was all that he received. When the truth was ascertained he was arrested and committed for trial. He was sentenced to the Penitentiary for six months.

Wm. Jones and Wm. Waldron pleaded guilty of stealing three bags of wheat, worth $96, from the canal-boat *Johnny Davis*, on the 18th inst. They were remanded for sentence until the February Term.

Patrick Matthews pleaded guilty of stealing a horse and wagon, worth $325, from Thos. J. Brown, corner of Fourth-avenue and Thirty-second-street, on the 25th of October last. The prisoner was remanded for sentence until the February Term.

Mr. Orlando L. Stewart, counsel for Wm. B. Tobey and Sam. B. Tobey, charged with embezzlement, moved to have the bail in both cases discharged. The defendants, he said, were innocent. The motion was granted.

SENTENCES.

The following sentences were pronounced: Annie Riley, grand larceny, State Prison two years; Eugene Leddy, Edward Jones, burglary, State Prison one year; Walter Freeman, attempt at rape, Penitentiary one year and fined $200; John Griffin, larceny from the person, State Prison four years. The last named is said to a notorious pickpocket, whose adroitness has generally enabled him to escape detection. Shortly after he had been sentenced yesterday, Mr. John White, of the District-Attorney's office, received an anonymous note, in which the writer says that "Mrs. Palmer (also a notorious thief) boasts that she will get Griffin, the Washington Market pickpocket, discharged, as she did his brother last week in Brooklyn." How this is proposed to be effected does not appear, but it is to be hoped that so bad a man will be held at Sing Sing until the expiration of his term.

The Court adjourned until this morning at 11 o'clock.

SUPREME COURT, (BROOKLYN,) SPECIAL TERM.

Before Judge Lott.

Calliott vs. *Raymond.*—This case was argued yesterday. Mr. J. T. Williams, counsel for the plaintiff, said the charges brought against Mr. Calliott were of a libelous nature; it was not true that he had left one party and joined another for pecuniary gain. A man's patriotism was something, and should be held sacred; and it was a libel to say that Mr. Calliott had been bribed by the Speakership and the payment of $1,300 to leave the Democratic Party and join the Republicans. Such an observation, maliciously uttered, tended to injure the plaintiff.

Mr. Benedict, for the defendant, replied: The defendant's points were: 1st. That the use of the word "bribed" added nothing to sustain the allegation that the words were libelous, but it must be treated as meaning simply "induced," and cited Creamer vs. Noonan, (4 Wis. 231,) where the Court held that a similar use of the word "forge" did not make a publication actionable, the words being "that he had forged words and sentiments for Silas Wright which he had never uttered." 2d. That the Court could take no judicial cognizance of parties and could not assume, in the absence of any allegation to that effect, that leaving one party for another had any moral quality whatever, and that to charge a person with doing for money what the Court, on this complaint, must treat as an indifferent action, could not be assumed to work injury to him.

The plaintiff contested these points, claiming that it amounted to a charge of lack of patriotism.

Judge LOTT took the papers and reserved his decision.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—Jan. 27, 1868.

$1,000	U. S. 6s '81, R...	111¾	
15,000	U. S. 5-20s, C., Nov	108¼	
11,000	do	108½	
25,000	U. S. 5-20s, C. '67	108	
9,500	New issue, 6.30	108¼	
12,000	do.	108¾	
	U. S. 6s, 5-20s, C. '62	111¾	
1,000	do. Small	111¾	
152,000	do	111¾	
120,000	U. S. 5s, 10-40, C.	104	
5,000	do	104¾	
11,000	do	104¾	
1,000	U. S. 6s 5-20s, C., '65	109¾	
50,000	Tr. Not., 7 3-10s.	103¾	
	2d series	103¾	
26,000	3d series	103¾	
11,000	N. Y. St. 6s, 73	103	
15,000	Tenn. 6s	63½	
4,000	do	63	
5,000	Tenn. 6s, new	60¾	
25,000	do	60¾	
1,000	do	60¾	
1,000	Erie 3d M	100	
7,000	C. & N. W. Con. Sch.	86	
5,000	Gr. West. 2d	71¾	
15,000	C. & R. I. & P. 8s	90	
5,000	Cl. & Pitts. 4th M.	75	
5,000	C. & M. 1st M.	90	
1,000	C. & O. 1st	75	
2,000	Morris & Es. 1st M.	90¾	
1,000	Mor. & Essex 2d	87	
1,000	Ill. Cen. 8s	115	
1,000	Mil. & St. P. 1st	89	
38	Metropolitan Gas	141	
25	Bk. of Com'ce	115¾	
2	do	116	
40	Ocean Bank	101¾	
6	Met. Bank	128½	
30	Cent. National	102¾	
22	Fourth N. Bk.	105¾	
10	Ninth Nat. Bk.	103¾	
50	Park Bank	143	
200	Canton Co.	40¾	
100	Cum. Coal Pr.	36	
300	do	37	
500	West. U. Tel.	38¾	
300	do	38¾	
200	do	38¾	
100	do	38¾	
100	Am. Coal	56	
700	Quicksilver	26¾	
100	Mariposa Pr.	14	
100	Pac. Mail	111¾	
700	do	111¾	
200	do	111¾	
100	Atlantic Mail	98¾	
500	do	98¾	
100	do	98¾	
400	do	99	
200	do	99¾	
300	Boston W. P.	22	
110	Wells Fargo Ex.	45¾	
2	Amer. Ex.	75	
100	Mer. U. Ex.	37¾	
510	do	37¾	
10	do	37¾	
200	do	37	
25	Adams Ex. Co.	77½	
150	N. Y. Cen. R.	152½	
1000	do	152¾	
200	do	152¾	
100	do	152¾	
200	do	152¾	
200	do	152¾	
200	Erie R.	80	
850	do	78¾	
4500	do	78¾	
3500	do	78¾	
100	do	78¾	
2100	do	78¾	
	do 2d call	77¾	

100	Erie R., Pr.	80	
100	Hud. Riv. R.	146	
100	do	147	
200	do	146¾	
68	N. Y. & N. H. R.	140	
500	Bost. Hart. & Erie	16¼	
200	do	16¾	
800	Reading R.	97¾	
2000	do	97¾	
500	do	97¾	
100	do	97¾	
100	do	97¾	
1800	do	97¾	
50	do	97¾	
50	do	97¾	
100	Mich. Cen.	111¾	
100	Mich. S. & N. I. R.	89¾	
100	do	89¾	
700	do	89¾	
100	do	89¾	
200	do	89¾	
100	do	89¾	
25	Panama R.	310	
110	Ill. Cen	134½	
55	do	133¾	
100	do	133¾	
500	Clev. & Pitts.	97¾	
700	do	97¾	
1500	do	98	
400	do	97¾	
200	do	97¾	
300	Chic. & N. W.	61¾	
300	do	61¾	
100	do	61¾	
3700	C. & N. W. R. Pf.	75¾	
5600	do	76	
100	do	76¾	
100	do	76¾	
1800	do	76¾	
2200	do	114¾	
200	do	114¾	
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The news by cable confirms the rumor concerning the intended issue of a new French loan. The report of M. PIERRE MAGNE, Minister of Finance, published in yesterday's *Moniteur*, gives a comprehensive review of the financial condition and necessities of the Empire, and declares a new loan absolutely necessary. It is asserted that it will be put upon the market this very day. Letters from Paris set forth that numerous manifestations of dissatisfaction have marked the announcement of the adoption of the Army bill by the Corps Legislatif. In Great Britain the Fenian excitement has not wholly died out. Our dispatches announce the robbery of a gunshop in Dublin by Fenians. The Fenian BURKE, say our telegrams, denies all complicity with the authors of the attempt to blow up the Clerkenwell Prison. A very heavy gale passed over the southern counties of Scotland Sunday, and telegrams report the loss of several lives.

The Cunard steamship *Siberia*, which left Liverpool Jan. 11 and Queenstown Jan. 12, arrived at this port yesterday.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, the bill to relieve Gov. PATTON, of Alabama, from his political disabilities was discussed for a time, but no action taken upon it. The joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to detail naval officers to attend the International Maritime Exposition was laid on the table. The Supplementary Reconstruction bill was taken up, the question being on the motion to instruct the Judiciary Committee to report the amendment offered by Mr. DOOLITTLE. Mr. WILSON took the floor and made a lengthy argument in opposition to the position taken by Mr. DOOLITTLE in his recent speech. Mr. JOHNSON also addressed the Senate on the same subject, after which that body adjourned.

In the House, a large number of bills were introduced, read twice and referred to appropriate committees. A resolution was adopted instructing the Committees on Ways and Means to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to employ all legal-tender notes which he may have in excess of the amount necessary to pay the current expenses of the Government in purchasing interest-bearing securities; also, to apply, in the same manner, all the gold he may have in excess of $30,000,000; also, to authorize a four per cent. loan equal to the whole amount of the interest-bearing debt. The bill to prevent the payment of disloyal claims arising out of the rebellion, was passed. A bill regarding the rights of American citizens abroad was reported from the Committee on Foreign Affairs. It authorizes the President to use all the resources of the Government to secure the recognition of the rights of naturalized citizens. It also exempts from the provisions of the act all persons who shall reside abroad continuously for five years, and also all who fail to make property returns to the Assessor of Internal Revenue. A resolution was adopted, after some filibustering, authorizing the Committee on Reconstruction to inquire whether combinations have been formed to obstruct the work of reconstruction, and empowering it to send for persons and papers. The House then adjourned.

GENERAL.

It was expected that the trial of Gen. GEO. W. COLE for the murder of Hon. L. H. HISCOCK, at Stanwix Hall, Albany, last Winter, would be commenced in the Circuit Court of that city yesterday, and a large audience was consequently in attendance. Nothing was done, however, beyond the filing of a writ of *certiorari* by the counsel for the defence, to remove the case to the Supreme Court. The District-Attorney will to-day move for a trial in the Circuit Court.

Mr. EDWARD THORNTON, the newly-appointed British Minister to the United States, was among the passengers of the *Siberia*, which arrived at this port yesterday.

The extensive linen mills at Streetsville, Canada, were destroyed by fire on Saturday night, involving a loss of $200,000.

Both Houses of the State Legislature assembled last evening, but adjourned without transacting any business of importance.

Gen. HAYDEN, commanding the District of Alabama, has issued an order directing that in the approaching election for the ratification of the new Constitution, polls shall be opened in but three precincts of each county, and that those shall be kept open four days. The same order directs the closing of all liquor saloons in the vicinity of the polls for that length of time.

We are indebted to FREDERICK W. ELY, Purser of the steamship *Herman Livingston*, for late Savannah papers.

Another daring attempt at robbery by daylight was made yesterday by two unknown men, who attacked the porter of A. H. SOLOMON & Co., No. 76 Broad-street, as he entered the hallway of that building with a box containing notes worth $11,000. They threw pepper in his eyes and seized the box, but he clung to it and shouted, and the thieves ran away.

The Board of Audit met yesterday and rendered five decisions, disallowing the claims in each case. Among them was the claim of DANIEL T. VALENTINE, late Clerk of the Common Council, for $5,835 27; and of H. J. FORKER, for $10,585 66. The Board adjourned to Feb. 17, at 12 M.

The Board of Aldermen met yesterday and concurred in the resolution already passed by the Board of Councilmen, asking for an amendment of the Registry law.

The Board of Councilmen at their meeting yesterday, adopted a resolution requesting the Counsel to the Corporation to report all the facts touching the alleged transfer of the title, or sale to the original owners, of the ground now or lately occupied by the Croton Department, lying between Ninety-third and Eighty-sixth streets. The resolution empowering the Presidents of both Boards of the Common Council with the Finance Committees, to represent the interests of the Corporation in Albany, was concurred in.

The Board of Supervisors yesterday received a communication from the Mayor calling attention to the great expense of the armories and drill rooms, and suggesting a careful scrutiny of all future expenditures.

Miss SALLIE BROWNSON GOODRICH delivered a lecture last evening before a large audience at Dodworth Hall on "The Street Boys of New-York." It was the first of a series of discourses in behalf of the Newsboys' Lodging House, many of the inmates of which were present.

At the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, Judge RUSSEL sentenced several convicts to the State Prison, viz: ANNIE RILEY, two years; EUGENE LEADY and EDWARD JONES, one year; JOHN GRIFFIN, four years.

United States Commissioner OSBORN, yesterday, rendered his decision in the case of the United States *vs.* GARNISS C. BAKER, the alleged defaulting paying-teller of the Tradesmen's National Bank, holding the accused for trial.

Judge CARDOZO delivered an opinion yesterday, deciding some preliminary motions in the case of FISK, BELDEN, &c., *vs.* the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company.

The divorce suit of FISK *vs.* FISK was before the Supreme Court again yesterday. The plaintiff asked to have the defendant compelled to accept the costs tendered and give a consent that the action be discontinued, or if that could not be granted by the Court, he asked that an order of reference be given to ascertain whether there had been any collusion between the husband and wife. The Court decided that there was evidence of collusion, but he especially stated that Mr. EDGAR KETCHAM, counsel for defendant, was not a party to it. A reply to the answer was not ordered, but the plaintiff has leave to file a supplemental complaint.

An active inquiry prevailed yesterday for Cotton, which was a fraction dearer. Flour and Wheat were quoted firmer, and the latter was more freely purchased. Corn and Oats were heavy and cheaper. Provisions were in request, and held with more confidence. Groceries quiet. Moderate freight engagements were reported.

The cold storm of yesterday caused slow trade at the cattle market with depressed prices. Drovers and brokers affirmed that prices were ½c.@1c. ₱ lb. less than they were one week ago. Receipts were larger than was requisite for the demand. Very few cattle were sold for over 17c. ₱ lb. net weight. Buyers were taking all the advantage in their power of the depressed state of trade. There was a fair proportion of good cattle in most of the droves. Most of the sales were made from 14c. to 16c. ₱ lb. net weight. There is more than usual activity in the milch-cow market. Still, prices favor purchasers. Fair new milch cows were offered for $80 to $75 ₱ head. Fat calves sell readily at 10c.@12c. ₱ lb. live weight. A few of the best were reported at 13c. ₱ lb. The sheep trade is moderate, with no change since my last report. Fair sheep sell for 6½c.@6¾c. ₱ lb. live weight. Hundreds are sold below these figures. A small number of the choicest brought more than 6¾c. ₱ lb. live weight.

The New Measures of Reconstruction—Why are they Needed?

We applied to the *Tribune* the other day for some information, as to what *necessity* there is for the extreme measures pending in Congress. With prompt and characteristic urbanity, the *Tribune* responds to our request. It is personally and professionally complimentary according to its usual habit. It deals largely in flights of the imagination, and draws a graphic fancy picture of what the condition of the country might, could and would have been if the President's policy had been adopted two years ago. But, mixed up with all these sportive and exclamatory dissertations, the *Tribune* responds to our query thus:

"In brief, we contend that the new measures of Congress are required to save four millions of our people from *virtual Slavery*, ten more States from the condition of Kentucky and Maryland, and the Union from a triumph of the principles of the men of the rebellion."

Waiving all discussion as to the meaning of the vague terms in which the *Tribune* thus evades the real point, let us remind our neighbor that Congress spent some months last year in framing, discussing and passing a Reconstruction Bill, for the express purpose of accomplishing all these objects. It was passed, against the President's veto, by a *two-thirds* vote in each House. We were assured, in advance of its passage as well as afterward, by the *Tribune* and other party organs, that it fully met the necessities of the case,—that it would save the four millions of blacks from "virtual slavery,"—restore the ten Southern States, properly reconstructed, to the Union, and usher in, promptly and "no mistake," the political millenium.

The bill went into operation. The President disliked it, but he proceeded to execute it. Like Fluellen he "ate, but eke he swore." Of *that* constitutional privilege he was not deprived by act of Congress, and he can scarcely be blamed for using diligently and zealously whatever small privileges they left him. The law was carried into execution,—under military commanders appointed in accordance with its terms. The voters, black and white, were registered. Conventions were called; in every State the call was ratified by the popular vote; delegates were elected; they met in convention, and proceeded to do the work for which they had been called together. Constitutions in some of the States were framed, and in the rest of them that process is still going on. The President has changed some of the Department Commanders, but he had the right, under the Reconstruction law, so to do, and in no single instance have those changes interfered in any manner, or to the slightest extent with the execution of that law, or the process of Reconstruction, according to its terms. Of all this we have high, authoritative assurance. Senator WILSON informed the country, at the opening of the session, that the law was working well,—its administration was satisfactory and effective, and all the Southern States would, by virtue of its provisions, be again brought within the Union in time for the next Presidential election. Similar assurances were given by other Senators, by recognized orators and organs of the party, and were finally indorsed with marked and augmented emphasis, by the Republican Congressional Committee, under whose charge and supervision the whole work is carried on.

While everything was thus lovely and hopeful,—promising full fruition for Radical hopes,—Congress suddenly plunges into an entirely new and rather startling style of legislation. *First*, We have the announcement that a change is to be made in the law on the adoption of the new Constitutions, so that a majority of those *voting* shall suffice to adopt them, whether the whole number of votes be a majority of the registered voters or not. *Next* comes a bill requiring a concurrence of *two-thirds* of the Judges of the Supreme Court to decide any act of Congress unconstitutional. *Third*, comes a law, passed like the last, through the House and sent to the Senate for concurrence, sweeping away bodily the Reconstruction bill now in operation, ejecting the Department Commanders from their positions, making Gen. GRANT the absolute and irreponsible Head of the whole ten unreconstructed States, depriving the President of his constitutional authority as Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy, and making it a penal offence for him, or any other man, to interfere in any way with the action which Gen. GRANT may see fit to take under the pending bill. And *finally*, (for the present,) bringing up the rear in this grand procession of legislative novelties, comes the bill forbidding the Supreme Court of the United States from taking jurisdiction at all of cases in law or equity, that may arise under the Reconstruction law.

We spoke of these as "extreme and desperate remedies," and inquired what "necessity" demanded their adoption. The *Tribune* does not consider them "extreme or desperate!" We are inclined to think *the people* do. They certainly transcend in the arbitrariness of their provisions, anything we have ever before seen in the history of the country. The rebellion created certain exigencies which called for the exercise of the extremest powers of the Government; but through it all, while the rebel armies held a third of the national territory, and thundered at the very gates of the capital, we had nothing so extreme, no such delegation of arbitrary authority, no such transcending of constitutional provisions and limitations, by any branch, or by all branches, of the Government—nothing so smacking of the absolute despotism with which CROMWELL closed the English Revolution of 1640, and NAPOLEON ended the French Revolution sixty years afterward, as these measures, by which Congress now propose to restore peace and union to a country just emerging from the chaos and confusion of civil war. If these are *not* "extreme and desperate" remedies, pray what does the *Tribune* think would be?

What "necessity" exists for them now? The President, says the *Tribune*, does not do his duty. He obstructs reconstruction. He removed SHERIDAN and appointed HANCOCK—both noble and gallant Union soldiers, who perilled their lives and won imperishable laurels in the contest with armed rebellion. He removed POPE and appointed MEADE. Yet in neither case has either of these changes interfered in the least with the execution of the Reconstruction law, or with the progress of reconstruction according to Congress under it. As we have already shown, we have the explicit testimony of the highest and best authorities on this very point. Concede everything that is charged upon the President: it does not and cannot alter the actual condition of things in the slightest degree. He has not made, and he cannot make, any such change in the state of the nation,—he cannot bring it into any such peril as that it has already passed through: and yet during all *that* great peril we neither heard nor dreamed of resort to such measures as those now proposed.

We protest that looking at the whole subject from the *Tribune's* point of view—so far at least as the *Tribune* sees fit to state its views,—we can see neither warrant nor excuse for such measures as that journal is now pressing upon Congress and the country. *We can see for them no shadow of necessity,*—either in the actual perils of the nation, or in those fictitious dangers which in the *Tribune's* fancy threaten the negro, and its own party policy of reconstruction. We can see but one explanation of the whole movement. Congress has left the people of the Southern States, that is, all the blacks and those of the whites whom it has not disfranchised, free to vote on the Constitutions which their conventions have framed. Do they fear that even with all these precautionary provisions, these Constitutions may be rejected? And is it to *coerce* their adoption, under the forms and pretence of a free vote, that these extreme and desperate measures are resorted to? Perhaps the *Tribune*, while in its present communicative mood, will do us the favor of giving us some information on this point, and the fewer tropes and flights of fancy it may introduce into its reply, the more likely will it be to answer some good public purpose.

In closing we beg to acknowledge the *Tribune's* courtesy, in speaking of the TIMES as "the ablest and most effective Democratic paper in the country." We trust that we are not unduly elated by praise so emphatic from so high a quarter; we are checked by reflecting how rapidly such honors pass from one hand to another, and how much greater and more effective service the *Tribune* is rendering the Democrats by forcing these extreme and extraordinary doctrines and measures upon the Republican Party. The day draws nigh when Republicans everywhere will recognize the *Tribune* and its coadjutors as the "architects of its ruin."

Napoleon and the French Press.

Our special report of the recent proceedings in the French Chambers, which we print in full elsewhere, will be found worthy of perusal. The sitting of Jan. 9, it would appear, was almost wholly taken up by a discussion concerning the liberty of the Press, to which the action of the Government in prosecuting several newspapers for the publication of unofficial accounts of the debates gave rise. Among others, M. THIERS, in a powerful speech, attacked the Government, and M. ROUHER defended the Napoleonic policy. It is hardly necessary to add as a sequel to our correspondent's letter that the strong arguments and brilliant eloquence of the Opposition speakers, if, indeed, they were thought likely to be fruitful of good results, failed of their effect. How little the French Government is influenced either by the addresses of the Left, the leaders of the Liberal Press, or the very apparent opposition of popular sentiment, is shown by the conviction and punishment of all the journalists implicated in the affair, as set forth by our cable dispatches two days ago.

Crime in the Carolinas.

The letter of Col. WILLARD, which we published yesterday, is calculated to remove misapprehensions in regard to the relations of the races in North and South Carolina, and to inspire confidence in the industrial future of those States. The position occupied by the writer on the staff of Gen. CANBY, and previously of Gen. SICKLES, has enabled him to acquire official knowledge of matters pertaining to law and order within the jurisdiction of the Second Military District; while the apparent candor of his statements is a further title to attention.

The vague but oft-repeated reports concerning the feeling which prevails between whites and blacks, and the positive declarations as to the growing likelihood of a fierce collision, are met by Col. WILLARD with a brief but explicit denial. There is no truth, he says, in the current allegation; that the blacks are in an insubordinate condition, and the newspaper stories of outrage are for the most part exaggerated for political purposes. That the blacks, as a body, are good-natured and tractable we have not now to learn; and it is satisfactory to know that demagogism has not yet demoralized them in any serious degree. The statistics of crime are proof, at least, that there has been no marked change in a wrong direction. During the first year after the war white offenders preponderated, in the next the blacks had their turn, and since then both whites and blacks have given no trouble with which properly constituted civil tribunals would not be quite able to deal. It is creditable to South Carolina that, from the outset, "the mildest means of preserving order have always been sufficient." The military tribunals have for some time had comparatively little to do, and the only crime and disorder now known in North or South Carolina are said, by Col. WILLARD, to be "such as the ordinary administration of justice can take care of." To this extent progress appears to have been made toward practical reconstruction.

On another point, Col. WILLARD's statements deserve notice. What the South preeminently requires is the influx of Northern capital and enterprise, neither of which can be looked for so long as the South is held up as a vast theatre of lawlessness and outrage. The general tendency of reports received from that section in connection with the passing contest of politicians, is most unfavorable to its credit. We cannot doubt that thousands are deterred from seeking homes in the higher portions of the Carolinas by the prevailing impression that life and property are there equally insecure. Col. WILLARD, on the other hand, assures those who contemplate emigration thither that they may go with confidence, not only in respect of personal safety, but of the success which awaits well-directed enterprise.

The Currency in Congress.

The withdrawal from the Secretary of the Treasury of authority to contract the currency is looked upon in some quarters, we are told, "as the first step toward expansion." And an expectation prevails that an effort will at once be made in the House to give effect to this idea by proposing the reissue of a certain amount of greenbacks. The known aversion of the Senate to a policy of this nature is an obstacle to its success; though even in that body, our Washington correspondent states, a project to increase the volume of National Bank paper, "for the purpose of supplying such portions of the country as are deficient in banking facilities and currency," may possibly be carried.

It is not easy to understand by what process of reasoning the stoppage of contraction can be converted into a preliminary of expansion or a vindication of the ground on which it is sought. The fair inference seems to point the other way. For the strong argument against a continuance of the discretionary power which Mr. MCCULLOCH has exercised has been its tendency to unsettle values and to embarrass all forms of business. The operations of the banks were impeded by the uncertainty which hung over the money market, and the calculations of trade were as constantly disturbed by the influence of the movement upon prices and upon the ability of the people as consumers. Men felt no inclination to engage in plans which might at any moment be thwarted by the action of the Secretary. They asked, therefore, that the disturbing force should be removed, and that monetary affairs should thus be left to regulate themselves according to the laws of commerce and finance, instead of being regulated by an arbitrary theory or a capricious will.

Having gained this point of fixedness by arresting contraction, it would be madness to revive uncertainty by again resorting to expansion. The latter was bad enough when the necessities of the Government occasioned it. The country submitted to it as to many other ills consequent upon the war, although its disastrous effects were visible everywhere. But who in his senses desires to bring back the ballooning which carried prices higher and higher, or the gambling which took the place of trade? These evils were supposed to have ceased with the exigences which produced them, and we cannot deem their recurrence probable as the product of deliberate legislation. No greater calamity could befall the country than the revival of inflation, with whatever conditions it might be surrounded. It would be the substitution of one cause of uncertainty for another. It would render safe and legitimate business impossible, and be the beginning of a policy that leads to repudiation and ruin.

Whether the amount to be issued be, at the start, thirty, fifty or a hundred millions, matters comparatively little. The principle involved is the main peril. For if thirty or a hundred millions may now be added to the circulation, on the plea that more currency will stimulate business, there will no longer be any guarantee against unlimited inflation. The same plea will be equally available when further amounts are called for; and Congress, having begun the practice of manufacturing money as a means of making it plentiful, will find it difficult to interpose a check. Every period of stagnation will be used as a pretext for sending out thirty or fifty millions more, until finally the bubble will burst, and the national distress will be a thousand times more terrible than any that has been experienced as a result of contraction.

As to the pretence that more paper is needed to furnish facilities to the Southern States, it will not bear serious examination. We are not of those who believe that the amount at present in circulation is so far in excess of the requirements that it must be largely cut down before specie payments can be resumed. The excess is not so great that it will not be absorbed by the growing business capacity of the country within a period whose expiration we may confidently await. No intelligible attempt has been made, however, to prove the insufficiency, which is the assigned excuse for more currency. The quackery which prescribes it as a cure for business ills has not condescended to show, by a comparison of trade and currency before and since the war, that the growth of currency has not kept pace with the growth of trade. Such an allegation betrays the ignorance of those who present it, and yet the clamor for expansion has no other foundation.

The South lacks currency simply because it lacks commodities to sell as well as the repose which must precede the transfer of Northern capital for investment. There is currency enough in the country, and all that is wanted is its more equal distribution, which, in the case of the South, can only be had when the restoration of constitutional authority shall justify confidence and facilitate the operations of industry. The way in which Congress may most effectually help the business of the South is, then, that which leads through permanent pacification. In all other respects it shares the common interest of the North and West, whose real want is—not an increase of currency, but—such a readjustment of fiscal burdens, and such steadfastness in the financial policy, as shall direct a larger proportion of the present circulation into the productive channels of industry and commerce.

China in Trouble.

China is elbowing Russia at such a rate that the latter has been forced to "send a protest" to Pekin. So runs the St. Petersburgh story, which sounds like one of those grim diplomatic jests that portend trouble. We have all heard of that wicked lamb whom the wolf accused of soiling his drinking-place by standing in the stream. It looks now as if Russia had found another "sick man," and she initiates her medical treatment by protesting, in traditional style, against the patient's encroachments. The "sick man" of the Bosphorus could tell his brother of Pekin that if the Czar means mischief explanations are idle. When the lamb shows that he was standing twenty steps below the wolf, and so could not have soiled the stream, he is forthwith accused of a "slander," a year before; and when he shows he was not yet born, "it was your brother then," says the wolf; and when he explains that he is an only child, the wolf, declaring "it was one of your friends," dispatches him on the spot, as indeed he might as well have done without diplomatic prefaces.

China, we fear, *does* begin to look like a sick man—sick with a complication of disorders—bruises without and grievous disorders within. What with the rebels at the gates of Pekin and the Russians on the boundaries; with France overrunning Cochin-China, planting herself but the other day in Anam, and using that rich Province as a base for northerly advances; what with Yankees gaining footholds, and headed by Mr. BURLINGAME, carrying the honors and dignities of the Empire by storm; what with England prying in everywhere where there is a mart of trade, and, once in, "smashing things," like a very John Bull in a China shop—surely there is trouble enough. Not only the southerly peninsula, where the French and English are, but the whole Empire is a "coohin" it just now. The "Flowery Kingdom" is flowery only in retrospect; as for the prospect, that is anything but rosy.

It was a sign of mortal sickness when, the other day, the Emperor contemplated appealing to Foreign Powers—Christian Powers—to help him put down the rebels. What, resort to barbarians "for succor?" Where is the mighty war-god, Kuang-Ti? Surely he ought to be on hand at this crisis, being the very patron deity of the present dynasty. And where are the renowned chiliarchs and colonels, promoted for their splendid archery? And where the two great bands of officers, one distinguished by the round-toed, and the other by the square-toed, boots?

With such resources, when we hear that outside nations are to be besought for aid by the "Son of Heaven"—him of the resistless "five-clawed dragon"—to whom alone among mortals, as Mr. JUSTUS DOOLITTLE tells us, may the wish be lawfully uttered, "May you live 10,000 years, 10,000 years, 10,000 times, 10,000 years"—we say that such a possibility, even, looks bad for the Celestials. With them everything "goes contrairy," while fortune plays into the hands of rebels and foreigners. The other day a great Government arsenal was blown to pieces, and with it, besides vast wealth of military stores, several thousand people, but "not a European among them." Of course not, that is barbarian luck. Russia notes, perhaps, that there is something fragile in the State of China; and while England pushes in India, and France in Cochin-China, she advances with giant strides through Central Asia, and grazes the northerly bounds of the Empire. If the fierce domestic brawls should result in "broken China," she would not object to saving some of the pieces, and putting them snugly away in her own cupboard.

MINOR TOPICS.

The Georgia Convention are taking heart. Their personal expenses, so cruelly denied liquidation by the State, at the hands of Gov. JENKINS, have been mercifully provided for by Gen. MEADE. The fact that they do not really represent the people of Georgia seems to be dawning upon their minds, as the last excitement in their midst was the announced intention of Mr. ASHBURN and his party to ask Congress to recognize and make valid whatever constitution the Convention may construct, without submitting it to the people. The only comment to be made on this is the amazed and disgusted exclamation of *Baron Puck* to *General Boum* at the extravagant proceedings of *La Grande Duchesse*—"*Comme elle va! Comme elle va!*"

Alaska and St. Thomas, Cuba, Canada and Lower California, Sanama and the Sandwich Islands, pale in interest before our new annexation—the Fejee Islands. The King of those happy isles has heard of the news that is running round the globe, and hastens to lay his domains at our feet. To secure our acceptance, he adopts the device of trumping up an old claim which he says we hold against him—a bill on which he paid something a great number of years ago, and which he doesn't want outlawed or barred by any statute of limitations. The debt was the price of three (3) of our deserting seamen whom some of his lively subjects ate up long ago. Here is the bill:

> King of the Fejee Islands to U. S. A., Dr.
> To 3 Seamen eaten by your people, @ $— ₱ Seaman.....$—.

To settle this claim, the grateful monarch now proposes to mortgage his islands to us for three years. This is a mere device—he expects us to foreclose and take possession. That is the way they go—Russia, Denmark, Spain, England, Mexico, are bidders in our real-estate market, and to them comes the King of the Cannibal Islands.

Gen. BUTLER may now draw a long breath of relief at learning that Alaska advices up to December 28, (and holiday week is generally a cold snap,) "mention no suffering among the troops. On the contrary they are represented as all well." It was about three weeks ago that the General offered his first "resolution of inquiry," upon which, if at all, Congress ought to have immediately acted, but which somehow it did not even receive. A fortnight or so afterward, General BUTLER, who, in dreams, doubtless heard the teeth of the snow-bound garrison "chatter, chatter, chatter still," revived the resolution, and this time it was referred. If anything were done under it, it would be available just about as Spring opens at Sitka, and, accordingly we are glad to hear from San Francisco that the idea of the troops needing provisions and suffering from the cold, "creates much surprise."

So long as the *Tribune* and the *World* see fit to continue their interesting statistical debate about the extent of their respective circulations, a subject which would naturally seem to be a matter of fact, but which they have contrived to reduce to a matter of opinion, of course we have neither the right nor the desire to say a word. But in its remarks of yesterday the *World* travels out of its way to bring in what is evidently intended to be a fling at Rev. Mr. BEECHER—though with what relevancy we cannot make out. After offering to "see the *Tribune's* quarter of a million, and go a quarter of a million better," it suggests that Mr. GREELEY go for explanation of those mystic words to HENRY WARD BEECHER, "who is a better poker-player and more competent to explain the mystic symbolisms and phrases of that popular and truly national game." Now, we don't suppose it would affect Mr. BEECHER's character or reputation if that were true, for it is not a game, but the use that's made of it that makes it disreputable; but it happens to be a fact that Mr. BEECHER never played a game of cards of any kind in his life. What is the latent wit of the *World's* joke?

The annual schedule of the City tax levy is always an interesting document, and it is hard to say which, indeed, are the more interesting, the items that are intelligible and specific, or those that are mysterious in their generality. Of the eleven millions to be paid by taxes, everybody can understand, for example, how a million goes to City salaries, and how half a million goes to what is called, with distinguished courtesy, "cleaning streets." Thanks to Mr. PETER COOPER, we also know what is meant by $45,000 for annual "stationery" and $14,000 for annual printing, not to speak of advertising. But when we find in an unbroken string six appropriations for "contingencies," of $74,000; one of $48,000 for "election expenses;" one of $80,000 for "donations;" one for "deficiencies," and one for "errors and delinquencies;"—the element of uncertainty as to details gives play to the tax-payer's fancy. However, we shall presume that all these things are as right as usual; if not, that the Citizens' Association will tell us why not—after the money is spent.

That unfortunate Cotton Tax bill still hangs fire. Why is it that so much uncertainty overhangs all legislation for the South? It is far more paralyzing than the most terrible positive enactments. From the very first days of reconstruction until now the peculiar torture under which the Southern people have suffered has been incertitude. We will agree to anything, only let it be final, has been their constant cry. For the sake of common pity, if cotton is to be killed let it be done at once—make the tax a little heavier or even refuse to repeal it. If cotton is to be saved to America let the unwise tax be done away with in time to be of some good. The Senate is playing its "conservative" *role* at the wrong time.

WILKES's *Spirit of the Times* calls upon the Press to protest against overloading the City railroad cars. Where, in the name of Rip Van Winkle, has our sportive friend been for the last ten years? The Press has harped on that string in season and out of season, and in all seasons,—day after day, week after week, and year after year: and it has accomplished thereby considerably less than nothing. The cars have grown more and more crowded, the comfort and the rights of passengers are less and less regarded, the conductors are less and less civil, and the companies have everything their own way more and more with each revolving year. They have laid down rails which drive private carriages out of the street. They have rendered the omnibuses as bad as their own cars. They stop only when it suits their own convenience, and they manage things generally with the sole and exclusive object of making money. They care nothing for the Common Council or the Legislature, for they can stop and defeat in either any law or ordinance which would injure them. They care nothing for public opinion, because people must ride and pay their fare, whether they get in exchange a seat, or a strap, or a place on the edge of the platform for their toe-nails. And they care nothing for the Press because of the natural and incurable depravity of their hearts. Brother WILKES will readily see that the case is reasonably hopeless.

Observers of Niagara Falls are of opinion that this world-renowned cataract will probably change its shape and character in a little time. They have taken notice that about half a mile above the horse-shoe cascade, the rapids show as if some disturbance had taken place among the rocks in the bed of the stream; and it is conjectured that the river may have broken into the limestone ridge below, or in some way undermined the front walls of the cataract. If this surmise is a true one, some tearing away or crumbling of the rocks may take place, by which the existing Horse-shoe may be effaced and a foaming slope of rapids left instead of it.

The Mobile *Times* has taken away from the head of its columns the name of Gen. GRANT as candidate for the Presidency. That is an awful blow for the General. We wonder if he will not decline the nomination in consequence? It was a blow to him when that paper hoisted his name; it was the unkindest cut of all when it hauled it down. He survived the one; he may possibly survive the other also. The *Times* has not yet, we believe, settled on a substitute.

The connection between dentistry and diplomacy is not clear at first, but becomes so on examining the new tooth (or treaty) between the Fejee Islands and the United States of America. This tooth, with its "strongly twisted grass cord," (perhaps typifying the nerve of the treaty,) is the regular thing in Fejee stipulations; and, as we are going to annex the Islands, it is as well to become acquainted with it. This tooth is the token of an immense stride in civilization. Formerly, the Fejee Islanders presented the tooth to our missionaries as an act of hostility, or to gratify their hunger. Now, they take as such merely succulent view of our countrymen, but send a tooth in sign of amity. By the way, is not the tooth the national emblem of the Fejee Islands—as illustrating the taste of the people? Dr. BERTHOLD LEEMANN does not allude to this idea, in his learned book on the Fejees.

The *Sun* appeared yesterday morning in an entirely new dress, its page somewhat enlarged and bearing ample evidence in its general style and "make up" that it is fully under its new management. It is greatly improved in every respect, and presents a very handsome appearance. By the way, it occurs to us as a curious fact that every improvement which any newspaper makes in its dress, type, general appearance and—may we not add, Mr. Pumblechook?—general character, is simply a step toward the appearance and character of the TIMES! The circumstance strikes us as singular, but a good many disinterested persons have observed it.

The success of the Constitution over its enemies has been, as everybody has noticed numberless times, indicated with curious accuracy by the barometer of the Gold Market. In view of this little fact—by no means a strange one when we consider the intimate relations between political permanency and commercial prosperity—it is interesting to note that at the close of 1862 gold stood at 133¾; at the close of 1863 it ranged at 151¼; at the close of 1864 it was 227½; at the close of 1865 it sold for 145½; at the close of 1866 it was 133½; and at the end of the year just closed it was tolerably steady at 133¾—although it has since run up to an average standing of 139. In the bare fact that the rebellion has laid down its arms, the Republic is confessedly stronger—otherwise we are back again in the fluctuating tides of 1863. Why is it?

A full day and much animating debate was spent by one of the Southern Constitutional Conventions in considering the question relating to "the right of the people to keep and bear arms." Some of the speakers desired to insert into the section words prohibiting the carrying of concealed weapons. Their opponents resisted any such amendment as an attempt to deprive the negroes in the State of the means of defending themselves against inimical attacks. If the negroes expect, and if their immediate sponsors and advisers mean, that the African race in America shall rise to a political and legal equality with the whites, the sooner all these "distinctions of color" are abolished the better. The best organized and most orderly of civilized races, the Anglo-Saxon, the one best capable of self-rule, has by experience proved that a prohibition of carrying concealed weapons is necessary to the maintenance of public peace, and enforce it with stringent penalties. Are an impulsive and inexperienced race, but just freed from dependence and brought into responsible liberty, better able to restrain themselves under the temptation of violence given by opportunity? Hardly.

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

PIKE'S OPERA HOUSE.

There is no opera in the modern *repertoire* that gives so much general satisfaction as FLOTOW's "Martha." It is always attractive. The story is quick and picturesque; and the music follows without overlaying it. Mr. STRAKOSCH was fortunate in his *cast*, using his company to the best advantage. The event of last evening was, of course, the reappearance of Signor BRIGNOLI. The gentleman has not been forgotten, and, in the dearth of good tenors, is not likely to be. He was in unusually good voice, and obtained a decisive *encore* in the romanza of the third act. Miss MCCULLOCH, although a little cold, sang with much freshness of voice, and was in every way agreeable. Miss ADELAIDE PHILLIPS acted and sang admirably. The other characters were well rendered, and the performance gave satisfaction to the largest and most fashionable audience of the season.

Theatrical.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.

The revival of Mr. ROBERTSON'S comedy of "Ours" at Wallack's seems likely, if we may judge by the house last night, to renew popular interest in a very lively entertainment. The comedy went as merrily and as freshly last evening, to all appearance, as when originally produced two years ago. The piece is put on the stage again with that commendable care and pains in minute details which distinguish the scene and action of every play produced at this establishment. Nothing is slighted in the revival, and the military band and moonlight departure of "Ours" for the Crimea are faithfully reproduced, and with the same exciting results. This tableau, which brings the second act to a close, was thrice

WASHINGTON.

AFFAIRS AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 27.

REISSUE OF GREENBACKS.

Mr. INGERSOLL's proposition for a reissue of $45,000,000 of greenbacks, so as to bring the total up to $400,000,000, may be regarded as indicative of the feeling of nearly all the Western members on that subject. Its reference to the Ways and Means Committee is indicative of nothing in particular. The position of that Committee on the subject of expansion is not yet fully defined. It is very evenly divided, with the probability of one majority against any further issue when the matter comes up for a square vote.

SUFFRAGE IN THE TERRITORIES.

The Montana Legislature, in which there is but one Union man, the rest being Democrats or rebels, got overhauled in the House to-day for a violation of the law passed last Winter prohibiting any Territorial Legislature from denying any person the right of suffrage on account of race or color. The rebel conclave in Montana have been meddling with this matter, and the Committee on Territories were to-day authorized to look into it. Mr. CAVANOUGH, the delegate from Montana, ineffectually opposed the resolution.

THE INTERNATIONAL MARITIME EXHIBITION.

Mr. SUMNER's bill, providing for the representation of the United States at the Maritime Exhibition, to be held at Havre next Spring, was roughly handled in the Senate to-day. After making all sorts of fun of it, the cruel Senators laid it on the table. But if they think Mr. SUMNER proposes to give it up so, they are greatly deceived.

THE FREEDMEN'S BUREAU.

Brig.-Gen. BURBANK has sent a long letter to Gen. HOWARD, giving reasons why, in his view, the Freedmen's Bureau should not be withdrawn from Kentucky on the 15th of next month, as proposed in Gen. HOWARD's circular letter, approved by Gen. GRANT. Gen. BURBANK says that prior to the issuance of this circular the condition of things in that State, of which he is Assistant Commissioner, was eminently satisfactory; freedmen were comparatively safe from outrage, the school work was progressing with happy results, the feeling of the people toward the freedmen was growing better daily, and there was every prospect that the Legislature would soon be forced into granting them the right to testify in her courts, &c. All this, he says, is now changed. The circular order for withdrawing the Bureau has emboldened the rebel element and led them into a renewal of their persecutions of the freedmen. It is pronounced a victory over the General Government, and the end of the efforts of Congress to give freedmen any protection or right other than that conferred by State laws. In many parts of the State it is openly declared that as soon as the Bureau is removed the freedmen will not be allowed to go before courts to make make complaints, and will be punished for such complaints already made. The General also says that the withdrawal of the Bureau now will be most disastrous to the work of establishing and maintaining schools in the State. No new schools can be opened, and many of those now in operation must at once be closed. Under this head he quotes largely from the reports of his subordinate officers, all of whom concur in the opinion that the breaking up of the Bureau at this stage of the work will be the death of the freedmen's school system.

Gen. HOWARD to-day, in response to a resolution of the Senate, sent to that body a copy of his circular letter, dated December last, which provides that with a view to the reduction of officers and agents of the Freedmen's Bureau, whose services can be dispensed with, it is ordered that, with the exception of Superintendents of Education, on and after the 15th of February next, all officers and agents in Maryland, Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee be dispensed with, and that officers of the regular army be specially designated by the Secretary of War to take their places and act as Assistant Commissioners in those States.

THE ROCK ISLAND RAILROAD.

A delegation representing the Rock Island Railroad has been here for a number of days in consultation with the Government authorities, with a purpose of arranging points of difference between these two parties. The final basis of settlement agreed upon was the joint resolution submitted to the Military Committee by Gen. GRANT, explaining the acts relating to the armory and arsenal at Rock Island, already published, with an additional resolution that at the end of a specified time after the completion of the new bridge the Railroad Company shall connect their track with it and take down the old bridge; or, in case of failure, the Secretary of War to remove it at the Company's expense.

THE TERRITORY OF WYOMING.

Mr. ASHLEY, of Ohio, to-day reported a bill for the organization of the Territory of Wyoming. It is proposed to form it of that part of Dakotah west of the continuation of the western boundary of Nebraska. It is claimed that this area of nearly one hundred thousand square miles contains fifteen thousand inhabitants, and that the population is rapidly increasing, on account of discoveries of rich gold mines. The Governor of Dakotah has recommended the proposed division. The capital is to be Cheyenne City. The bill was referred to the Committee on Territories.

DISLOYAL WAR CLAIMS.

In the House to-day, Mr. E. B. WASHBURNE, after a sharp struggle, succeeded in pushing through the bill reported by him from the Appropriations Committee, suspending the payment of certain claims until further action by Congress. It was stoutly resisted by the Border State men, including the Tennessee delegation, who say loyal claimants from those States will be the principal sufferers by the action of the bill, but it was pressed as a necessary retrenchment measure, and carried by twenty-five majority.

TREASURY AGENT APPOINTED.

JOHN W. GREGORY, of Scranton, Penn., has been appointed special agent of the Treasury Department, with orders to report at New-York and investigate tobacco frauds.

THE GREENBACK BILL.

The following is the full text of Mr. RANDALL's bill, now under consideration by the Committee on Banking and Currency, the principal feature of which is the gradual but certain withdrawal of the National Bank circulation and the substitution of greenbacks therefor. No final conclusion has been reached by the Committee, but they will probably conclude action on it this week. There is confessedly a stronger feeling in the House for it this session than last, and it behooves the National Banks to exert their influence vigorously if they wish to defeat a measure so inimical to their interests:

SECTION 1. From and after the passage of this act, it shall be unlawful for any individual, association or corporation to issue as money any note or bill not authorized by act of Congress, and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to issue on the credit of the United States such sums as may be necessary for the purposes set forth in this act, not exceeding in the aggregate amount $300,000,000 of United States notes, not bearing interest, of such denominations as he may deem expedient, none of which notes shall be for a fractional part of a dollar; and said notes shall be lawful money and legal tender for debts, in like manner as provided in the first section of an act entitled "An act to authorize the issue of United States Notes, and for the redemption or funding thereof, and for funding the floating debt of the United States," passed Feb. 25, 1862, and the provisions of the sixth and seventh sections of said act are hereby reënacted and applied to notes herein authorized.

SEC. 2. That notes authorized under this act shall be issued only in exchange for circulating notes of National Banking Associations, issued under the provisions of an act of Congress approved March 3, 1863, entitled "An act to provide a national currency secured by a pledge of United States bonds," &c., and for the purchase of such amounts of United States bonds as may be necessary to carry out the true intent of this act.

SEC. 3. That all circulating notes of National Banking Associations which may hereafter be paid into the Treasury of the United States, shall be retained in the Treasury, and not again put in circulation, and the Secretary of the Treasury may pay out for circulation as the wants of the Government may require, an equal amount of the United States notes hereby authorized to be issued, and the Secretary of the Treasury may exchange United States notes issued under authority of this act, with any person or persons, for a like amount of circulating notes of National Banking Associations; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall notify any banking association of the amount of its notes so accumulated, when such amount is not less than $900; and the said Banking Association is hereby required, within thirty days after the issuing of said notice, to redeem said notes at the Treasury of the United States in lawful money, and to present the notes so redeemed to the Treasury for cancellation; and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed to cancel the said notes, and to return to the said Banking Association the proportionate amount of United States bonds deposited as security for the same.

SEC. 4. That in case any National Banking Association shall neglect or decline to redeem its circulating notes as provided in the preceding section within the thirty days therein specified, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to cancel said notes, and to pay said Banking Association in the United States notes authorized by this act the market value of the proportionate amount of United States bonds deposited as security for said circulating notes, and to transfer said bonds to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund which is hereinafter established, first furnishing to said Banking Association a list of the numbers, dates and denominations of the notes so canceled.

SEC. 5. That when the circulating notes of any national banking association shall have been so far redeemed and canceled at the Treasury that the remaining notes shall not exceed three per centum of the whole amount of circulating notes originally issued to said banking association, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to return to said bank the bonds deposited as security for its circulating notes, and said banking association shall be relieved from its obligation to pay said notes remaining in circulation, and the same shall be redeemed in the Secretary of the Treasury and paid, on presentation to the Treasury, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 6. That the amount of United States notes issued under the authority of this act shall be invested by the Secretary of the Treasury in bonds or other interest-bearing debt of the United States; and in the purchases of evidences of the public debt for such investments, preference shall be given, at a corresponding price, to bonds held in the Treasury on deposits as security for circulating notes of National Banks. The Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney-General, the Secretary of the Interior, the Treasurer of the United States and the Comptroller of the Currency shall be the Commissioners of a sinking fund, whose duty it shall be under such regulations as they may prescribe, to receive from the Secretary of the Treasury all bonds and other evidences of debt purchased in accordance with the provisions of this act, and said Commissioners shall forthwith stamp upon each of such bonds or other evidences of debt, "belonging to the Sinking Fund of the United States," and shall cancel all the signatures thereon. Until said bonds and other evidences of debt have matured, all interests accruing upon them shall be paid to said Commissioners, and be invested by them in bonds and other interest bearing debt of the United States, to be added to and become a part of said Sinking fund, to be used and held as herein provided for.

SEC. 7. That immediately after the close of each fiscal year the Secretary of the Treasury shall publish an account of the condition of the said sinking fund in at least one newspaper published in the Cities of Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Boston and New-York; and he shall at the first meeting of Congress thereafter report the same to each branch thereof.

SEC. 8. That so much of any law or laws as are inconsistent herewith shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

A TEXAS LAND CLAIM SETTLED.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 27.

The Supreme Court of the United States has affirmed the decision of the District Court for Texas relative to the Mussina land claim, and which was number one on the Supreme Court Docket, having been there for at least twelve years. It may be recollected that for this action in this case Judge WATROUS was charged in the House of Representatives with impeachable offences, and that much testimony was taken in regard to that subject. The matter, however, was not concluded by Congress. The opinion announced to-day sustains him in all particulars, thus vindicating his judicial action.

The Court also decides a case on appeal, announcing the principle of maritime law to be that the master of a vessel has a right to sell his ship in a foreign port when it can be established that there is a necessity for doing so to secure the interests of all parties interested.

THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD.

The Government Commissioners for the Union Pacific Railroad have reported to the Secretary of the Interior that they find the sixteenth section of thirty miles of said road, commencing at the 510th mile-post and terminating at the 540th mile-post west from the Omaha, well constructed and ready for immediate service, and therefore recommended the acceptance of the section. The President of the United States has accepted the section, and ordered the patents and bond accruing by law to be issued to the Company. The 540th mile-post, where this section ends, is 7,525 feet above tide-water.

THE TROOPS IN ALASKA.

Several days ago the House of Representatives passed a resolution calling upon the Secretary of War for information concerning the statement that the United States troops at Alaska had terribly suffered from hunger and cold. The Secretary replies that no such information has reached either the Adjutant-General's office or the Headquarters of the Army.

ISSUE OF PATENTS.

For the week ending Tuesday, Feb. 4, there will be issued from the Patent Office 282 patents. During the week 450 applications and 75 caveats were filed.

ARREST OF A BUREAU AGENT.

T. H. HANNON, an agent of the Freedmen's Bureau at Lake Providence, Louisiana, who absconded from that place a few days since, with $8,000 belonging to freedmen and others, which came into his hands as Bureau Agent, has been arrested at Charleston, S. C., and nearly all the money recovered. He has been sent to New-Orleans, under strong guard, to await trial. The money is in bank, subject to the order of Gen. HOWARD, and will be returned to the owners.

ARRIVAL OF IMMIGRANTS.

The Director of the Bureau of Statistics furnishes information that for the year 1860, and the subsequent years to 1867, inclusive—the returns for the last quarter of 1867 being incomplete—the number of immigrants to this country was 1,549,000, and that during the same eight fiscal years the number of passengers not immigrants was 251,256.

SENATOR DOOLITTLE.

Senator DOOLITTLE has, owing to public engagements, declined the invitation to address the meeting to be held at Cooper Institute, New-York, on Thursday night. He has written a letter to the Committee with reference to important measures pending in Congress.

NEW-YORK.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Monday, Jan. 27.

The bill fixing White Plains as the place for holding the Circuit Courts and Courts of Oyer and Terminer in Westchester County, for the years 1868 and 1869, was passed.

Mr. GRANT introduced a bill authorizing the erection of piers and wharves on Harlem River below Second-avenue.

The Senate adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. MALLISON—To create a Twenty-first Ward in Brooklyn.

By Mr. SHERMAN—To authorize the City of Newburgh to issue bonds in aid of certain railroads. Also, for a street railroad in the City of Newburgh.

By Mr. RAY—To promote the interests of small stockholders in railroads.

By Mr. J. L. FLAGG—To enable the State to manufacture boots and shoes at the Auburn Prison.

The Speaker presented a communication from the Mayor of New-York containing estimates of expenses of the heads of departments in the New-York City Government.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. SUMNER offered the following:

Resolved—That the Attorney-General be directed to inquire whether there is at present in the Constitution of the Board of Directors of any railroad or railroads of this State any instance of violation of the provisions contained in section 30, chapter 250 of the laws of 1848, reading as follows: "A majority of the directors of the railroad company (reference being had to the Hudson River Railroad Company, hereby incorporated), shall reside in the counties in which the railroad shall be constructed, and the same person shall not be a director in any other railroad company in this State;" and if such instance or instances are ascertained to have occurred, then to institute proceedings for enforcing a compliance with the law.

Debate arising, the resolution was laid on the table, and the House adjourned.

THE STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

ALBANY, Monday, Jan. 27.

The Convention met this evening, and, after reading the journal of Friday, adjourned.

LOUISIANA.

Proceedings of the Reconstruction Convention—The Suffrage.

From Our Own Correspondent.

NEW-ORLEANS, La., Thursday, Jan. 23, 1868.

The Convention will probably conclude its labors sometime next week, as it has already reached the 97th article. This article provides that "every male citizen of the age of twenty-one years or upward, born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, and a resident of this State one year next preceding an election, and the last sixty days in the parish in which he offers to vote, shall be deemed an elector, except those disfranchised by this Constitution, and persons under interdiction."

The following clause created considerable discussion: "No person who shall attain the age of twenty-one years after the first of January, 1872, or who shall come into the State after that day, shall be allowed to vote until he can read or write. No elector shall be permitted to vote at any election who shall not have paid the taxes due by him to the State at the time he offers to vote."

Some were of opinion that such a provision would infringe the franchise of the colored race, while others contended that those who could not read or write were unworthy to be voters. SOLOMON MOSES (colored) was of the opinion that this was a "dodge" to cheat the colored man of the right to vote, as many of them could neither read nor write. CRAWFORD (white) was very firm in maintaining that all men, black and white, should not be allowed to vote until they could read and write.

The last day or two the members have been speaking rather warmly in the Convention upon the filling of city and county offices. The whites evidently wish to place more men of their own color in office than the negroes like, and the latter persist in demanding equal distribution.

AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP.

The Rights of Naturalized Americans Abroad—Report of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 27.

The report made by Gen. BANKS, to-day, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, commences by saying:

The treaty of peace between the United States and Great Britain, at the close of the War of Independence, left unsettled three subjects of international importance: 1st, the impressment of seamen; 2d, the right of search; and 3d, the question of expatriation. The first and second were virtually settled by the war of 1812; but the third, and most important, remains unsettled. The total emigration to this country from Europe, since the declaration of Independence, is 6,640,000, and as English law holds them and their descendants as British subjects, the question of their rights becomes very important.

The correspondence transmitted to Congress shows that naturalized citizens of the United States being present in Great Britain, without the commission of any offence, have been arrested, tried, convicted, sentenced and punished as criminals, upon the ground that they were natural-born subjects of the Crown; that their allegiance was perpetual and indefeasible except by its consent, and that they were, therefore, subject to its laws and liable to punishment, not only for offences committed within its jurisdiction, but for words spoken and acts performed in the United States. They claim the protection of their adopted country, which has made them citizens and conferred upon them the same rights both at home and abroad which are enjoyed by native-born Americans. The Government is in duty bound to listen to their appeal and to protect them in their rights.

The President called the especial attention of Congress to this subject in his last annual message. The Committee say it is not their province to examine the laws of England under which these prosecutions have been conducted; but as the English Judges appeal to the law authorities of their country in justification of the outrage, it may not be inappropriate to consider the origin and nature of the claim of indefeasible and perpetual allegiance to the British Crown, which the Committee proceed to do. They next present a clear statement and comparison of the laws of the various European nations and those of our own, together with precedents in regard to the various questions at issue. The conclusion is reached that the claim of indefeasible allegiance and perpetual service is the symbol of feudalism and force. The right of emigration and naturalization, when life or liberty is insecure, or where the prerogatives of conscience are violated, is wrought into the constitutions of all Governments of choice. The feudal claim is as absolute over the mind as the body. It denies liberty of conscience and of thought by the same title that it proscribes the right of locomotion. It dwarfs human capacity and reason, and corrupts the nature of man and society. As a subject the life of BACON is an offence, as a scholar it is the glory of his race. SHAKESPEARE is known to the law as a criminal; in the world of letters and liberty he is revered as an immortal spirit. It will be difficult to find any authority of American law writers, or a decision of American courts in which the doctrines of perpetual allegiance is recognized, except as a tradition of English law, or a case in which it has been regarded with horror, except for the purpose of preventing private injustice or the injury of public peace. It has no authority in this country, except as an element of English common law existing at the time of the Revolution. There is nothing American in the oath of the land barons of England in 1086, or in the feeble paraphrase of that obligation by BLACKSTONE.

The Committee conclude their report as follows: The United States have a population of 35,000,000. The free people in 1790 numbered 3,250,000; with an annual increase of births over deaths estimated at 1.38 per cent. they could now number 9,925,000. Add 4,000,000 emancipated people, and the aggregate of the population existing would be 13,250,000. The balance of the people of this country, 21,000,000, are emigrants and their descendants. Of this portion, of our people more than twenty millions are subjects of the several States of Europe, and their service is due to them. If they have no right to defend themselves or their adopted country in the event of war with Europe, if restrained by crime and free of all offence, they are in consequence of this claim of service, debarred from travel and from intercourse with civilized nations, or subject to an arrest and compulsory service in the armies organized to fight against their own governments. Then the United States has no independent existence. It may have numbers, industry, commerce, letters, science, invention, courage, enterprise, wealth, prosperity and power but it is not independent. Its dreams of equality are delusions, and its sacrifices have been invalid. Every State in Europe will have its garrisons, if these claims are admitted in every part of the Union. The able-bodied portion of three-fifths of our population could be summoned to fight for Governments with which they have no connection, and against those with which their fortunes are indissolubly united; and they would be accounted traitors if found in the ranks of its armies. We have received education, employed, enriched, enfranchised that portion of the people of Europe which its rulers cast off to find them in their strength incapable of lawful resistance to public enemies. They would be exposed to arrest and compulsory military service, or punishment, not only if found in the native country, but in any civilized nation with which their native Governments might have treaties of extradition. MARTIN KOZETA was a native of Hungary, residing in Turkey, with the consent of its Government. His surrender was demanded by Austria under an interpretation of treaties rejected by Turkey, and would have been surrendered and imprisoned but for the forcible intervention of the Government of the United States. The intimate association of those who are claimed as subjects of foreign Governments is such as to put in peril the rights or peace of many. The absurdity, if applied to this large portion of our people, is palpable; but the injustice of its application to individuals is equal to the absurdity of its application to nations. The injustice of this principle is more apparent than the remedy. But that there is a corrective for so great a wrong cannot be doubted. It is not in vain to labor for a reconsideration of this great question by European Governments, more in the light of reason and less in the spirit of feudal philosophy. The solution of this important international problem belongs to the men who have capacity to divine the right in law, and the courage to assert its power. That such men are to be found among those who occupy the proud eminence of royal or popular favor cannot be doubted. There is one quarter of the world to which we look with hope. To those who have evoked from the labyrinth of German politics which have been to all students of history no one sense a mystery, and in another a puzzle, who from the elements of anarchy have in an instant and by a word called into being a new creation already recognized as a permanent empire, and which promises at a day not distant to unite a race long divided, and to cement a power in Central Europe long needed that may number sixty millions of people—to whose to whose genius and success is due the North German Union, we have a right to turn for the justice we demand. In the foundation of a new power she has wisely submitted her plans to the approval of the people. She has made petty interests that formed petty Governments subservient to great principles that are the only basis of great nations. She has united the people who speak the same language and who reverence the same historic past, that seeks to hold them together by consent, not by force. The Constitution of 1807 is redolent of the future. The Republic of the New World might adopt with profit many of its wise and just provisions. She knows how important emigration is to civilization and to liberty. She felt in the great struggle which terminated at Sadowa the priceless advantages of Germanic emigration to the North which gave to her a friend and an ally in Russia. She counts not less than two million native-born children in the republican family of the United States, and of their descendants nearly six millions more. She will understand how dearly they cherish the glorious memories of the Fatherland. She can comprehend the advantage of an ally and friend in the new world, equal in spirit and strength to that which supports her in the old. The concession we ask is not worth to her the parchment upon which it is written. Her conventions and treaties closely approach it. The legislation of some of the lesser German States, as interpreted by their rulers, require but the definition of a single word to secure to Americans all they ask of Germany. But whatever may be her decision, or that of other States, the point we make must be conceded. That the rights we claim can be permanently denied; that the question at issue will be settled against us; that it is to remain long unsettled, is impossible.

The Committee on Foreign Affairs have entered upon the consideration of the question only by the direct order of the House. It has received the considerate attention which its great importance demands, and the result of its deliberations is embraced in a bill herewith submitted for the consideration of the House. Nothing can be more apparent than that legislation does not alone furnish a remedy for the evils of which the country complains. Local legislation is as powerless to effect the reforms we desire as it is to justify the wrongs inflicted upon American citizens by other nations. But it is indispensable, as a first step, that statute declarations of the rights we claim should exist. It is also important that distinct proclamations of the limitations to the rights we claim should be made. The project of a law which is submitted herewith seeks to accomplish this result. It also proposes that when all the resources of the Government shall have failed to produce a recognition by other Governments of the principles of public policy so long maintained by this in regard to the rights of naturalized citizens, the President shall be invested with the same authority within our jurisdiction as to subjects of other Governments that foreign States enforce upon American citizens within their jurisdiction. In case of collision, reprisal or war, a State is just as justified in detaining a foreigner against his will. (Van Marten's Law of Nations, 87.) But it is not anticipated that such proceedings will be required. It cannot be that in this age, when all the political traditions of the middle ages are trembling, that Europe will at this day rush to extremities to sustain a claim repudiated by every authority of law, humanity, experience, civilization and justice.

Testimonial to Jefferson Davis in Louisiana.

From the East Feliciana Democrat, Jan. 13.

We noticed in our last issue the visit to this noble and distinguished citizen of the South (JEFFERSON DAVIS) by a committee of the citizens of Jackson, while he was stopping at the residence of his sister, Mrs. LUTHER SMITH, in West Feliciana. The following is the correspondence:

JACKSON, La., Jan. 8, 1868.

Hon. Jefferson Davis, West Feliciana, La.:

HONORED SIR: The unsuspicious aspect of the weather having deterred some of the citizens of this place and vicinity from an intended call on you today, it is deemed proper to address you a note instead.

As the Chief Executive of the late, but now fallen Confederacy, you enjoyed the respect of all here whose fortunes were linked with that organization, but as the representative man who has borne with fortitude and dignity the insults and abuses of a triumphant faction, you have won and enjoy their admiration.

Crushed and impoverished as we are, it is not in our power to ex end to you the elegant hospitalities that it would otherwise be our pleasure to bestow; but should either inclination or the discharge of duty lead you to visit our locality, you will find a home and a hearty welcome in each and all of our habitations.

With high respect, for themselves and fellow-citizens, generally,

F. Fashira, Thomas F. Noone, William A. Austin, J. C. Thoms, D. Campbell, G. W. Catlett, C. W. Miller, J. W. Jones, E. L. Woodside, E. G. Davis, J. B. Haynes, Jas. Drane, John McKeowen, A. S. Tomb, Thomas S. Jones, H. Reinburg, M. Kirsch, Frank Crilly, Julius Freytan, J. Reinburg, B. Della Piane, A. Bannon, Charles L. Farnsworth, W. H. Welden, Lucius B. Johnson, James A. Campbell.

MR. DAVIS' REPLY.

WEST FELICIANA, La., Saturday, Jan. 18, 1868.

GENTLEMEN: I am deeply gratified by your very kind letter of this date; and assure you that it would give me great pleasure to accept your invitation. My engagements require me to leave for Mississippi so soon that it will not be in my power to visit you, and again look upon a place associated with many happy memories. Your Sufferings and losses have been to me ever present through all the trials to which you so feelingly refer. The desolation which everywhere presents itself in that once prosperous country fills my heart with sorrow; but I hope and trust a better time will soon come to us. The patient fortitude, the cheerful energy and manly virtue which our people display in the depth of their misfortune, cannot fail to bring the due reward.

Accept for yourselves and those whom you represent, the expression of my life-loving devotion, and my earnest prayer, which has so long been daily offered, that the Father will restore our stricken land in the way to which His wisdom seems the best.

I am, most cordially, your friend,

JEFFERSON DAVIS.

As explanatory of the allusion of Mr. DAVIS to remembrances of the past, it may be proper to state that he was at one period of his life a student in Jackson, and that an elder brother and a sister were members of that community.

The Recent Bond Robbery—Further Examination.

The adjourned examination in the case of EDWIN A. WEED, who is accused of complicity in the stealing of $15,000 worth of bonds from the National Bank of the Republic, was continued yesterday before Justice DARLING at the Tombs Police Court. ADOLPHUS SEMMOLA, clerk for HALGARTEN & Co., testified that the bonds alleged to have been stolen were purchased by the firm on the 28th ult., from CLARK, DODGE & Co. He examined the bonds at the time and entered them in the ledger. He fully identified the bonds found in possession of WEED as a portion of these bonds, though he had not seen them since Dec. 28. The bonds were deposited at the bank in one package, and he did not know whether the boy took to COHEN & HAGEN another package at the same time. All the Missouri bonds were sixes, of the denomination of $1,000 each.

This closed the case for the prosecution, and as counsel was not prepared to go on with the defence, the case was laid over until Wednesday. WEED stated in his examination that he is 29 years of age, a native of Connecticut, a resident of this City, a broker, and not guilty of the charge.

The Newark Spiritualists.

The trial of WILLIAM MCEWEN, one of the Newark spiritualists who recently made an indecent exposure of their persons, took place yesterday in the Essex County Court of Common Pleas, on an indictment for lewdness. A number of witnesses, including Mrs. REEVES' son, gave evidence on the part of the State in reference to the exhibitions made by MCEWEN, Mrs. REEVES and her daughter. For the defence, Dr. DODD, WALDO HYDE, (a New-York Spiritualist,) Dr. E. Z. WICKES, a brother of MCEWEN, and others, gave evidence. The evidence is nearly all in, and the case will be given to the jury this morning.

Miss ALTHEA REEVES retracted her plea of not guilty to the charge of lewdness, and pleaded *non vult contendre*.

The trial of Dr. E. Z. WICKES, indicted for publishing books of an indecent character, will take place to-day.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

DESCENT UPON A GAMBLING HOUSE.—Yesterday ROBERT P. NASH, of No. 248 West Twenty-first-street made a complaint before Justice LEDWITH, at the Jefferson Market Police Court, charging that a game of "faro" was kept at No. 62 East Twelfth-street by one JOHN PENTLAND. Upon this complaint a warrant was issued and entrusted to Sergeant FLAGGERTY and Detective BARKER of the Fifteenth Precinct, who in company with a posse of men visited the designated premises at half-past 11 o'clock last night. The following persons were arrested and locked up in the Fifteenth Precinct Station-house: William Ridley, No. 97 Catherine-street; Eugene Valentine, No. 38 East Twenty-fourth-street; James Johnson, Sinclair House; Samuel C. Graham, Boston; John Davis, Pelham; John Thompson, Sinclair House; James Pentland, No. 107 East Tenth-street; Louis P. Clinton, No. 40 East Eighteenth-street; Samuel Baker, Halifax; Isaac B. Eaton, No. 713 Broadway; John Lawrence, No. 31 Sixth-avenue; Richard Tweed, No. 75 Park-avenue, Brooklyn; Louis Birdseye, No. 206 Fourth-avenue; and John Pentland, No. 63 East Twelfth-street. The tables, cards, cue boxes and other implements of the game, also were removed to the Station-house. The prisoners will be arraigned before Justice LEDWITH this morning.

BURNING OF A RAILROAD CAR.—As a passenger train of cars on the New-York and Erie Railway, bound for Suffern, emerged from the west end of the tunnel, on Saturday evening, a kerosene lamp at the front end of the smoking-car, which was attached to the rear end of the train, exploded and set fire to the car. There were some thirty passengers in the coach at the time, who were prevented by the blaze from passing to the front cars, and before the train could be brought to a stand-still, the fire had extended pretty well to the rear, placing the passengers in imminent peril. The car was disconnected with great difficulty, and was entirely destroyed. Some time elapsed before the trucks could be removed from the track, so as to allow other trains to pass.

TEN YEARS IN AFRICA.—Lieut. L. L. LLOYD, (colored,) of the First (native) Regiment, of Liberia, lectured last evening in the Cooper Institute building, on "Africa," as seen by him in a ten years' residence in that country. In alluding casually to the blacks in the United States, he said that he thought their destiny was to be "bleached out;" in other words, that the miscegenation of the two races was inevitable. He was listened to with close attention by a small audience.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED AGAINST THE RECEIVER OF THE LATE FARMERS' AND CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK.—Yesterday forenoon Deputy Marshal NOONEN served a paper on the Government Receiver of this bank, FREDERICK A. PLATT, commanding him to appear before the Judges of the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern District of New-York on the first Monday in February, to answer a bill of complaint exhibited against him by the late directors of the bank. The complainants seek to get possession of the bank because they believe that they can wind up its affairs more economically than the Government.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT MASPETH, L. I.—The extensive oil cloth factory of ALDEN, SAMPSON & Co., Maspeth, L. I., was totally destroyed by fire on Sunday.

NEW-JERSEY.

PROPOSED BOULEVARD.—A public meeting of the citizens of Bergen is to be held at Library Hall, on Wednesday evening of this week, for the purpose of an interchange of opinion relative to the bill to be presented to the Legislature for the opening of a grand avenue through the county of Hudson. It is understood that parties who yield a powerful influence in the Legislature will make strong efforts to defeat the passage of the bill, principally on the ground of the enormous increase of taxes that it will entail, and which cannot well be borne at the present time.

DROWNED WHILE SKATING.—On Friday afternoon, a number of lads were skating on Evans' Mile Pond, and five of them fell in. Two were rescued. The other three, whose names were TOOLE, CAFFERTY and SHINN, were drowned. Their ages range from eight to twelve years.

PERSONAL.—The following is a list of Americans registered at the office of BOWLES, DREVET & Co., No. 24 Rue de la Paix, Paris, for the week ending Jan. 9, 1868: R. W. Waterhouse, Robert Reade and family, D. Lowber Smith, V. Bolte, W. B. Sage and family, P. H. Stevens and wife, Miss Stoddard, A. Bierstadt, New-York; Mrs. W. S. Packer, Brooklyn; Mrs. Mitchel, Miss Mitchel, Miss Shreve, F. G. Whiston, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Latham, F. H. Shapleigh, Mrs. E. H. Eldridge, Mr. and Mrs. John Read, W. A. Griffin, Miss E. Adams, G. F. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Emerson, Miss T. Emmerson, Boston; Wm. Rotch, New-Bedford; J. A. Brown, Newburyport; R. J. Watson, St. Louis; E. G. Hall, Gen. F. A. Starring, Chicago; S. C. Gibson and wife; Illinois, H. Emmitt, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, Cleveland; Arthur David, New-Orleans; J. D. Robertson, United States.

NEW-YORK SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES.

THE NEW-YORK SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES is published THIS MORNING, and may be had at the counter of the publication office in wrappers ready for mailing. Price FIVE CENTS. In addition to the latest general intelligence by telegraph up to the moment of going to press, there will be found in the current number the fullest Washington news. European news, with graphic letters from our correspondents in London and Paris, giving the tone of public feeling abroad, is made a special and permanent feature. In addition to Editorials on all the current topics of the day, the SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES has a page of carefully prepared commercial matter, giving the latest financial news and market reports; items of agricultural and domestic interest, specially prepared for the TIMES by a practical agriculturist; and marriages and deaths of the week.

The "SEMI-WEEKLY RECORD," or news summary—being a careful synopsis and digest of the news of the day, is alone worth double the subscription price to the paper, as it preserves in a condensed and conveniently classified form all news of interest, and must prove valuable as a record to all time.

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Bronchitis.—From Mr. C. H. Gardner, Principal of the Rutgers Female Institute, N. Y., May 14, 1858: "I have been afflicted with Bronchitis during the past Winter, and found no relief until I found your Troches." "BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES," or Cough Lozenges, give prompt relief in Coughs, Colds and Throat diseases, and are for sale throughout the United States and most foreign countries.

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I beg to call the attention of the public to those Wines, especially to the VIN IMPERIAL (GREEN SEAL)

which has been pronounced by connoisseurs to be superior to any other Champagne before imported into this country.

The above wines are now for sale at all first-class dealers in Wines in this city.

ANTHONY OECHS, Sole Agent for Messrs. Moet & Chandon in the U. S. New-York, Jan. 13, 1868.

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Durno's Catarrh Snuff. Twenty-five cents per box. By all druggists.

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MARRIED.

BURR—HART.—On Wednesday, Jan. 22, at the First Presbyterian Church of Wilmington, N. C., by Rev. Mr. Singleton, HENRY A. BURR, of Brooklyn, to MARY A., daughter of L. A. Hart, Esq., of the former city. No cards.

☞ New-Haven papers please copy.

DIED.

ATWATER.—In Brooklyn, E. D., on Sunday night, Jan. 26, EVA, infant daughter of Rev. E. R. and Rosa P. Atwater, aged 16 days.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday, (to-morrow,) at 2 o'clock P. M., at No. 4 Hamilton-place.

ABERNETHY.—At Sheldon, Vt., on Sunday, Jan. 26, MARIA, wife of Charles Abernethy, of this City.

Notice of funeral in to-morrow's paper.

BERGEN.—At Flatlands, on Monday morning, Jan. 27, of scarlet fever, JANE ANN LOTT, wife of Jeremiah Bergen, in the 53d year of her age.

The friends and relatives of the family are invited to attend the funeral at her late residence, on Wednesday, the 29th inst., at 2 o'clock

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OFFICE OF THE ATLANTIC MUTUAL INSURANCE CO., NEW-YORK, Jan. 25, 1868.

THE TRUSTEES, IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE charter of the Company, submit the following statement of its affairs on the 31st December, 1867:

Premiums received on marine risks from 1st January, 1867, to 31st December, 1867 ..... $7,322,015 75
Premiums on policies not marked off 1st January, 1867 ..... 2,838,169 71

Total amount of marine premiums $10,160,125 46

No policies have been issued upon life risks, nor upon fire risks disconnected with marine risks.

Premiums marked off from 1st January, 1867, to 31st December, 1867 ..... $7,597,123 16
Losses paid during the same period 2,436,361 61
Returns of premiums and expenses 1,306,865 93

The Company has the following assets, viz.:

United States and State of New-York stock, City, Bank and other stocks $6,884,485 00
Loans secured by stocks and otherwise 2,175,450 00
Real estate and bonds and mortgages 210,000 00
Interest, and sundry notes and claims due the Company, estimated at 262,414 62
Premium notes and bills receivable 3,222,433 37
Cash in bank 278,374 04

Total amounts of assets $13,163,157 11

Six per cent. interest on the outstanding certificates of profits will be paid to the holders thereof, or their legal representatives, on and after Tuesday, the 4th of February next.

Fifty per cent. of the outstanding certificates of the issue of 1863 will be redeemed and paid to the holders thereof, or their legal representatives, on and after Tuesday, the 4th of February next, from which date interest on the amount, so redeemable, will cease. The certificates to be produced at the time of payment, and cancelled to the extent paid.

A dividend of thirty per cent. is declared on the net earned premiums of the Company for the year ending 31st December, 1867, for which certificates will be issued on and after Tuesday, the 7th of April next.

By order of the Board, J. H. CHAPMAN, Secretary.

TRUSTEES.

J. D. JONES, CHARLES DENNIS, W. H. MACY, HENRY COIT, WM. C. PICKERSGILL, LEWIS CURTIS, CHARLES H. RUSSELL, LOWELL HOLBROOK, WARREN WESTON, ROYAL PHELPS, CALEB BARSTOW, A. P. PILLOT, WILLIAM E. DODGE, DAVID LANE, JAMES BRYCE, CHARLES TAINTER, WM. STURGIS, HENRY K. BOGERT, JOSHUA J. HENRY, DENNIS PERKINS, JOSEPH GAILLARD, Jr., J. HENRY BURGY, CORNELIUS GRINNELL, C. A. HAND, JAMES LOW, B. J. HOWLAND, BENJ. BABCOCK, FLETCHER WESTRAY, ROBT. B. MINTURN, JR., GORDON W. BURNHAM, FRED. CHAUNCEY, R. L. TAYLOR, GEO. S. STEPHENSON, WILLIAM H. WEBB, PAUL SPOFFORD, RICHMOND HALLOCK, FRANCIS SKIDDY, CHARLES P. BURDETT, ROBT. C. FERGUSSON.

JOHN D. JONES, President. CHARLES DENNIS, Vice-President. W. H. MOORE, 2d Vice-President. J. D. HEWLETT, 3d Vice-President.

OFFICE OF THE EAGLE FIRE INS. CO., No. 71 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 16, 1868.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company, held on Tuesday, the following gentlemen were elected for the ensuing year:

JAMES N. COBB, JOHN Q. JONES, WM. H. ASPINWALL, ROBERT RAY, ROBERT L. KENNEDY, SANFORD COBB, PHILIP M. LYDIG, FELIX INGOLDSBY, DANIEL B. FEARING, JOHN D. SAMPSON, GEORGE ANDREWS, WILLIAM H. GUION.

At a subsequent meeting, SANFORD COBB was unanimously reelected President.

A. J. CLINTON, Secretary.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD COMPANY, CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 28, 1868.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors, will be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th of February next.

The transfer books will be closed from the evening of Feb. 7 until Feb. 20.

GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

HOLDERS OF CHICAGO AND MILWAUKEE Railroad Second Mortgage Bonds. Second Mortgage Bonds will receive par and accrued interest thereon, by presenting the same to A. L. Pritchard, Treasurer Chicago and North Western Railway Company, No. 57 Broadway, New-York, on or before Feb. 1, 1868. Interest will cease on this issue of Bonds from and after Feb. 1, 1868.

H. W. BLODGETT, President C. and N. R. Co.

OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD CO., NEW-YORK, Dec. 16, 1867.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Company have declared a dividend of five per cent. in cash, free of Government tax, to be paid on the first day of February next, to the holders of the full-paid shares registered in the books of the Company on the 18th day of January next. The transfer-books will be closed from the 18th day of January until the 8th day of February next. THOMAS E. WALKER, Treasurer.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE MILwaukee and Prairie du Chien Railway Company will be closed on the 23d inst. (preparatory to a dividend on the First and Second Preferred Shares, and an exchange of bonds by the Milwaukie and St. Paul Railway Company for said shares, under the arrangement of 1857 in the former to the latter Company.) The bonds will be ready for exchange at time of payment of dividend on the 1st of February next. The books will be reopened Feb. 3.

CHAS. P. GILPIN, Acting Secretary.

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH R. R. Co., Jan. 27, 1868.

NOTICE.—THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THIS Company will close on Wednesday, January 29, at 2 P. M., at the office of Winslow, Lanier & Co., No. 27 and 29 Pine-st., and reopen on Saturday, Feb. 1, at the Farmers' Loan and Trust Co., No. 28 Exchange-place.

GEO. A. INGERSOLL, Sec'y.

OFFICE OF THE GROCERS' FIRE INSURANCE CO., No. 157 Broadway, Jan. 18, 1868.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECtors of this company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 157 Broadway, on MONDAY, Feb. 3, 1868. The poll will be opened from 12 to 1 P. M.

JAMES T. WILSON, Secretary.

THE INTEREST IN GOLD ON THE First Mortgage Bonds of the Union Pacific Railway Company, Eastern Division, due Feb. 1, 1868, will be paid on presentation of the coupons at the banking-house of DABNEY, MORGAN & CO., No. 53 Exchange-place, New-York, on and after that date.

WM. J. PALMER, Treasurer.

INTERNATIONAL OCEAN (CUBA LINE) Telegraph Preferred Stock wanted by GEO. C. DUNBAR, No. 7 Wall-st.

OFFICE OF THE JEFFERSON INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 66 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 21, 1868.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company will be held at their office on MONDAY, Feb. 3, 1868. Polls open from 1 to 2 o'clock P. M.

SAMUEL E. BELCHER, Secretary.

BUCKS COUNTY LEAD STOCK.—SPLENdid investment.—For sale 250 shares at any price. Address E. B., No. 421 Broome-st.

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Coupon, 1881	111½	112	Gold	144¼	144¾
5-20 Regist'd '62	108½	109¼	June	108	108½
5-20 Coupon '62	111¾	111¾	July	108	108½
5-20 Coupon '64	108½	108¾	May, comp'ds. '65	117¾	117¾
5-20 Coupon, '65	110	110¼	Aug., comp'ds. '65	116¼	116¾
5-20 C. 65 and July	108¾	108¾	Sept., comp'ds. '65	116	116¾
5-20 Coupon, '67	108¾	108¾	Oct., comp'ds. '65	115¾	116
10-40 Reg.	104½	104¾	7-30's. 3d Is.	103¾	103¾

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Government Securities bought, sold and negotiated on commission at the Government Board.

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.

The interest on the bonds and stocks of the City of New-York, due and payable Feb. 1, 1868, will be paid on that day by PETER B. SWEENY, Esq., Chamberlain of the City, at the Second Broadway Bank.

The transfer books will be closed WEDNESDAY, Jan. 8, 1868.

RICHARD B. CONNOLLY, Comptroller.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1867.

OFFICE OF MORRIS AND ESSEX RAILROAD CO., HOBOKEN, N. J., Jan. 22, 1868.

THE COUPON OF THE SECOND MORTgage bonds of this Company, due Feb. 1, 1868, will be paid on and after that date, at the Fourth National Bank in New-York.

WM. H. CONNETT, Treasurer.

$10.000 WANTED — AT SEVEN PER cent. interest, for three or six months, on good security; a commission of one per cent. will be paid to the party making the loan. Apply to CALLENDER & CO., No. 30 Pine-st.

BANKS AND BANKERS.—"THE MERchants' and Bankers' Almanac for 1868," contains a list of 600 Marine, Fire and Life Insurance Companies in the United States; capital or assets of each; names of Presidents and Secretaries; 4,000 Bankers United States; Bankers in Europe, Australia, China, West Indies, &c.; names of foreign bill drawers, in New-York; Members of New-York Stock Exchange; Mining Board and Open Board; Coinage, Debt, Stocks, United States. One volume, octavo, price $2. 45 Pine-st.

DIVIDENDS.

21ST SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND.

OFFICE OF THE JERSEY CITY INSURANCE CO., No 1 Montgomery-street JERSEY CITY, N. J., Jan. 15, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE THIS DAY declared their regular SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF FIVE (5) PER CENT., free from Government tax, payable on demand.

J. PAULMIER, Secretary.

THE DELAWARE AND RARITAN CANAL AND THE CAMDEN AND AMBOY RAILROAD AND TRANSPORTATION COMPANIES.

On the 3d day of February, 1868, a DIVIDEND OF FIVE DOLLARS PER SHARE, on full stock, and in proportion on part-paid stock, clear of tax, will be payable at the above offices, in New-York and Philadelphia, to the stockholders of the above joint Companies on the books Jan. 15, 1868.

RICHARD STOCKTON, Treasurer.

TWENTY-FIFTH DIVIDEND.

NAUGATUCK RAILROAD COMPANY, BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 9, 1868.

The Directors have declared a dividend of Five per Cents, free of tax, payable on and after the 15th of February next. The transfer-books will be closed from the 11th inst. to the 14th proximo, both days inclusive.

H. NICHOLS, Treasurer.

BROADWAY INSURANCE COMPANY, Office No. 138 Broadway, Jan. 23, 1868.

CASH CAPITAL $500,000
SURPLUS 113,100

Thirty-fourth Dividend.—This Company will pay a semi-annual dividend of Six per cent. free from tax, Feb. 1, 1868. JOHN WRAY, Secretary.

THE NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, TREASURER'S OFFICE, ALBANY, Jan. 21, 1868.

TWENTY-NINTH SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND.—The Directors of this Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of Three Per Cent. on the capital stock thereof, payable on the 20th day of February next.

Dividends in New-York will be paid at the office of Duncan, Sherman & Co.; in Albany, at the Albany City National Bank.

The transfer books will be closed at the close of business on Friday, the 31st day of January inst., and be reopened on the morning of Monday, the 24th day of February next. E. D. WORCESTER, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE AND HUDSON CANAL COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1868.

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THIS Company have declared a dividend of Eight Per Cent. out of the profits of the Company, payable on and after the 1st day of February next, free from Government tax.

The transfer books are now closed and will remain closed until the 1st day of February next

By order of the Board,

ISAAC N. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD COMPANY, CLEVELAND, Jan. 15, 1868.

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of four per Cent. free of Government tax, payable on and after Feb. 1 next, at the office of the United States Trust Company, to stockholders registered in New-York. The transfer-books will close on the evening of 18th inst. and reopen on Feb. 3.

GEO. H. RUSSELL, Treasurer.

NEW-JERSEY RAILROAD AND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, No. 111 Liberty-st., NEW-YORK, Jan. 22, 1868.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT. on the full stock, and THREE DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS per share on the scrip stock (free of Government tax), payable to the stockholders on and after MONDAY, Feb. 3, next.

The transfer books will remain closed until the 4th day of February next. B. J. SOUTHMAYD, Treas.

DIVIDENDS.

ST. NICHOLAS NATIONAL BANK, No. 7 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 25, 1868.

DIVIDEND.—THE DIRECTORS OF THIS Bank have declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT., free of all taxes, payable on and after the 10th February next.

The transfer book will be closed from the 31st inst. to 10th proximo inclusive. A. PARKHURST, Cashier.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 25, 1868.

A DIVIDEND OF SIX PER CENT., UPON the capital stock of the Berdan Firearms Company has been declared by the Directors payable Feb. 10, at the office of L. P. Morton & Co., No. 30 Broad-st. The books of the Company will be closed for transfers Feb. 3, and reopened on the 11th of February, 1868.

WALTER H. BURNS, Treasurer.

BUFFALO AND ERIE RAILROAD, TREASURER'S OFFICE, BUFFALO, Jan. 20, 1868.

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY have this day declared a dividend of five per cent., payable to the stockholders free from Government tax, at the office of the Farmer's Loan and Trust Company, in the City of New-York, on the 5th proximo.

The transfer books will close on the 26th inst. and reopen on the 5th proximo.

H. L. LANSING, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE RUTGERS FIRE INSURANCE CO., No. 130 CHATHAM-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1868.

27 DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIrectors have this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of Six per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on the first day of February next.

JOSEPH W. DUGLISS, Secretary.

OFFICE LENOX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 158 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1868.

TWENTY-SECOND DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT., free of Government tax, payable on demand.

ARTHUR H. WALTON, Secretary.

CORN EXCHANGE BANK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 25, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE declared a dividend of five (5) per cent., and the Government tax, payable on the 1st of February next.

Transfer book will be closed from 26th instant to 1st proximo. W. A. HALLS, Cashier.

ORIENTAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 25, 1868.

A DIVIDEND OF FIVE (5) PER CENT. has this day been declared, free from Government tax, payable on the 1st day of February.

The transfer books will remain closed until that day.

W. A. HALL, Cashier.

OFFICE OF EXCELSIOR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 130 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 15, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of FIVE PER CENT., free of tax, payable on demand.

SAMUEL M. CRAFT, Secretary.

PACIFIC BANK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a dividend of Six Per Cent. free from Government tax, payable on and after the 1st day of February next.

R. BUCK, Cashier.

26TH DIVIDEND.—THE PETER COOPER Fire Insurance Company will pay a dividend of five per cent. free of tax, on and after the 1st February, at their office corner 3d-av. and 9th-st.

W. H. RIBLET, Secretary.

HELMBOLD'S CONCENTRATED EXTRACT BUCHU IS THE GREAT DIURETIC.

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Both are prepared according to rules of Pharmacy and Chemistry, and are the most active that can be made.

PROPOSALS.

ARMY SUPPLIES.

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT COMMISSARY-GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE, No. 4 STATE-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 23, 1868.

SEALED PROPOSALS (IN DUPLICATE) WILL be received by the undersigned until 12 o'clock A. M. on WEDNESDAY, 29th inst., for supplying, for the use of the United States Army, SUBSISTENCE STORES, to be delivered in New-York or Brooklyn as follows, viz.:

5,000 POUNDS of first quality PILOT BREAD, to be packed in boxes of 50 lbs. each.

5,000 GALLONS of the best quality of PURE VINEGAR, made only from Cider or Whisky, free from all foreign acids and injurious substances, and of a uniform strength. The Whisky Vinegar must be thirty-five grains bi-carbonate of potash to neutralize one ounce troy, the Cider Vinegar as near the same strength as may be; to be put up in 5-barrels or 10-gallon casks. Send the samples at this office. Each proposal must state distinctly the kind and quality of Vinegar offered, and the kind of packages.

40,000 pounds good hard SOAP, to be made by boiling, and only from good materials, free from clay, soluble glass, or other adulteration, to have no unpleasant odor, to contain not more than 20 per cent. of water, and to be well dried before being packed.

4,4,400 pounds POTATOES, 60 lbs. to the bushel, in well-conditioned barrels.

31,264 pounds ONIONS, 60 lbs. to the bushel, in barrels as above.

The stores are required for immediate delivery.

Samples of the vinegar, soap, potatoes and onions must be delivered with the proposals and referred to therein.

The manner of making bids, requirements of bidders, &c., same as stated in previous advertisements from this office.

Contractors are expected to hold their goods, without expense to the United States, until required for shipment.

Blanks for Proposals will be furnished at this office, which must be inclosed in an envelope addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Proposals for Subsistence Stores." C. L. KILBURN, Bvt. Brig.-Gen. and A. C. S.

NAVAL SUPPLIES.

PAYMASTER'S OFFICE, U. S. NAVY, No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 25, 1868.

Proposals, sealed and indorsed "PROPOSALS FOR SUPPLIES ADVERTISED," will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. on THURSDAY, 30th inst., for the following supplies, *which must be of the very best quality*, delivered free of expense to Government, at the New-York Navy-yard, *and subject to the usual inspection thereof, viz.:*

BUREAU OF ORDNANCE.

1,000 feet COMBINATION HOSE, 4-ply, 2½ inch diam., with Gaylord's patent couplings, capable of sustaining a pressure of 200 lbs. per square inch, 50 feet lengths.

4 6-foot lengths COMBINATION SUCTION HOSE, with Gaylord's couplings.

1 BASKET, with Gaylord's couplings, to suit engine.

1 CONNECTION, with Gaylord's couplings, to suit engine.

2 HOSE PIPES, combination, with nozzles to suit engine and Gaylord's couplings, to be selected; 88 inches, 8 inch oak knees, to be selected.

BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR.

2 STICKS TIMBER, PINE TIMBER, each 76 feet long, 27 inches diameter at butt, and one-third from butt; 15 inches at top end; to be on a curved line from a straight centre; free from sap and other defects when rounded.

Responsible security will be required for the prompt and faithful delivery of supplies awarded, *which must conform with inspections on the ships' decks*, to be had at this office, otherwise bids will *not be entertained.*

GEORGE PLUNKETT, Paymaster U. S. Navy.

FRESH BEEF AND VEGETABLES.

NAVY PAYMASTER'S OFFICE, No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 27, 1868.

Sealed proposals, indorsed "Proposals for Fresh beef and Vegetables," will be received at this office until 2 o'clock P. M. on the 7th day of February, 1868, for the supply of 200,000 pounds of fresh beef and 20,000 pounds of fresh vegetables at the Brooklyn Navy-yard and station, as required.

The beef and vegetables must be of good quality, and the beef must be perfect AFTER AND NOT BEFORE it must be offered for by the pound: the beef to be in equal proportions, fore and hind quarters.

Bonds with approved security will be required in one-half the estimated amount of the contract, and twenty per cent. in addition will be withheld from the amount of each payment to be made, as collateral security for the due performance of the contract, which will, on no account, be paid until it is fully complied with.

Every offer must be accompanied by a written guarantee, signed by one or more responsible persons, that the bidder or bidders will, if his or their bid be accepted, enter into an obligation within five days, with good and sufficient sureties, for the furnish the articles proposed. *No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by such guarantee and by satisfactory evidence that the bidder is a regular dealer in the articles proposed, and has the license required by Act of Congress.*

The Department reserves the right to reject any proposal not considered advantageous to the Government.

It is to be understood that in case the stipulated quantity of either article shall be delivered, leaving a balance due on the other article, the contract may be considered as completed in full, at the option of the Department. J. C. ELDRIDGE, Paymaster U. S. Navy.

BURLINGTON BREAKWATER.

UNITED STATES ENGINEER OFFICE, of BURLINGTON, Vt., Jan. 23, 1868.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by the undersigned until the 20th of February, 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the following timber, viz.:

115,000 linear (or cubic) feet of Hemlock timber, 12 inches square, in sticks not less than 30 feet in length.

32,000 linear (or cubic) feet of White Pine timber, 12 inches square, in sticks not less than 30 feet in length.

25,000 feet, b. m., of 3-inch Hemlock Plank.

14,000 feet, b. m., of 3-inch White Pine Plank.

8,500 Treenails (elm or oak) 2 feet long and 2 inches in diameter.

Pine, Spruce or Ash timber may be delivered in lieu of all or part of the first item of this bill. The whole must be delivered at Burlington, Vt., before the 1st of July, 1868, and at least one-third as soon as navigation opens on Lake Champlain. It must be of the best quality, perfectly straight, of the exact specified dimensions throughout. No other will be received. The prices named must cover all expense of delivery and preparing for inspection, &c., at such points as may be required. The proposals to be made in duplicate, guaranteed, and in accordance with the prescribed forms, which may be obtained upon application at this office.

The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all bids, if not deemed satisfactory.

CHARLES E. BARLOW, Capt. of Engineers, Bvt. Lt.-Col. U. S. A.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm sts., until WEDNESDAY, the 29th day of February, 1868, at 12 o'clock noon, for the erection and completion of a new Primary School-house on the site of Grand-st. No. 85, 87 and 89 Elm-st., in said Ward, in said Ward. Plans and specifications for said school-house can be seen at the office of the Superintendent of Building and Repairs, No. 146 Grand-st., third floor.

Proposals must state the estimate for each branch of the work separately, and be indorsed "Proposals for Mason Work," "Proposals for Carpenter Work," "Proposals for Painting."

Two responsible and approved sureties will be required from each successful bidder, and no proposal will be considered in which no sureties are named. The School Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals offered, if deemed for the public interest to do so. MORRIS ROBINSON, WM. KENNEDY, EDWARD SWEENEY, THOMAS FORSCOLL, A. J. FULLERTON, Board of Trustees Fourth Ward.

DATED Jan. 22, 1868.

OFFICE OF PAYMASTER, U. S. NAVY, No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 25, 1868.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED "PROPOSALS FOR TRANSPORTATION," will be received at this office until the 31st inst., for the transportation by sailing vessel, from the Navy-yard, New-York, to the Navy-yard, Washington, D. C., of the following articles, to wit:

15,000 lbs. Oakum, in bales of 100 lbs. each.
100,000 lbs. Old Sheathing Copper, in bulk.

GEORGE PLUNKETT, Paymaster U. S. Navy.

VALENTINES.

VALENTINES FOR 1868.

FROM THE FRENCH EXPOSITION.

AGENTS WANTED IN EVERY TOWN IN THE UNITED STATES.

FIFTY DOLLARS' WORTH OF VALENTINES WILL BE SENT ON RECEIPT OF $20. THIS IS THE GREATEST CHANCE EVER OFFERED TO THE TRADE, BOTH IN PRICE AND IN QUALITY. ORDER EARLY.

T. W. STRONG, VALENTINE DEALER, NOW AT NO. 539 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.

AUCTION SALES.

LARGE SALE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY.

DEPOT OF ARMY CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE, JEFFERSONVILLE, IND., Jan. 15, 1868.

Will be sold at public auction at the clothing warehouses (hospital grounds,) in this city, on MONDAY, the 3d day of February next, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., the following articles of army clothing and equipage:

27,607 great coats, infantry,
26,401 great coats, mounted,
14,223 trowsers, footmen's,
473 trowsers, mounted,
14,266 shirts, woolen,
262 drawers,
41,052 sack coats, unlined,
1,710 sack coats, lined,
8,126 uniform coats,
11,634 uniform jackets,
19,679 pairs stockings,
110 woolen blankets,
17,427 pairs brogans,
9,775 pairs boolens, machine-sewed,
282 pairs bootees, pegged,
90 pairs boots,
1,940 knapsacks,
1,294 haversacks,
1,080 canteens,
903 pairs mittens,
1,387 metallic scales,
30 common tents,
10 wall tents,
20 wall tent-flies,
2 hospital tents,
2 hospital tent-flies,
7 sibley tents,
607 sets tent-poles,
966 cap covers,
236 mats,
2,744 forage caps,
2,500 hat eagles.

Also various other articles of clothing and equipage. Samples can be seen at the depot within five days of sale, and catalogues will be furnished.

Terms: Cash in Government funds.

By order of the Quartermaster-General,

G. A. HULL, Capt. and M. S. K., U. S. A.

NOTICE.

OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, NEW-ORLEANS, La., Dec. 26, 1867.

Notice is hereby given, that the following-named property will be sold to the highest bidder, at public auction, at Brazos Santiago and Brownsville, Texas, commencing on the 27th day of January, 1868, viz.:

All the right, title and interest of the United States in and to the property of the United States Military Railroad from Brazos Santiago to White's Ranche, Texas, including the entire Track and Sidings, Buildings, Water Stations, Turn-tables, &c., the Railroad Material and supplies pertaining to the Road, together with the Rolling Stock, Cars, Machinery, and other Equipments, as follows:

5½ Miles RAILROAD TRACK.
4 CLAW BARS—Used.
2 PUNCH BARS—Used.
8 STUFFING BOXES—Used.
20,800 Pounds RAILROAD CHAIRS—Good.
9,560 Pounds RAILROAD IRON—Good.
1 LOCOMOTIVE—Unserviceable.
1 LOCOMOTIVE and TENDER—Serviceable.
1 LOCOMOTIVE HEAD-LIGHT—Unserviceable.
14 COUPLING LINKS—Good.
586 Pounds CAR SPRINGS—Good.
12,000 Pounds RAILROAD SPIKES—Good.
500 CROSS TIES—Good.
2 SHACKLE BARS—Used.
20 SQUARE BRASSES—Good.
7 FLAT CARS—Worn but serviceable.
2 CROWSBERT—Worn.
4 RAILROAD FROGS and 3 SWITCH-STANDS—Worn.
4 SPIKE-MAULS—Worn.
2 JACK-SCREWS and LEVERS—Worn.
2 TURN-TABLES—Worn.
1 FIRE-TONGS—Worn.
2 SCREW-WRENCHES—Worn.
1 HAND-CAR—Worn.
2 PUSH CAR WHEELS—Worn.
1 STOVE—Worn.
1 PUSH-CAR—Worn.
4 HAND-CAR WHEELS—Worn.

The property will be sold under the immediate direction of Capt. C. H. Hoyt, Acting Quartermaster United States Army, and any information desired may be obtained from his office at Brownsville, Texas, or from the Office of the Chief Quartermaster, Fifth Military District, New-Orleans, La.

Terms—United States Currency.

This advertisement to supersede the one from this office under date of Dec. 13, 1867.

CHAS. H. TOMPKINS, Brevet Brigadier-General and Chief Quartermaster, Fifth Military District.

SALE OF DAMAGED CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE.

OFFICE OF ARMY CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE, NEW-YORK, Jan. 23, 1868.

Will be sold at public auction, at the Depot of Army Clothing and Equipage, corner of Laight and Washington sts., in New-York City, on THURSDAY, the 30th of January, 1868, the following-named articles of clothing and equipage:

161 shelter tents.
65 common tents.
10 wall tents.
2 Hospital tents.
1 Sibley tent.
100 forage caps.
314 knapsacks.
386 rubber blankets.
16 wool blankets.
44 bedsacks.
4½ picks.
161 frock-coats, infantry.
97 frock-coats, musicians.
194 jackets, assorted.
53 stable frocks.
349 pairs bootees.
349 ponchos.
3,791 hat cords.
43,250 yards lace.
26 drum heads.
116 Sibley tent stoves.

Also, various other articles in small quantities.

Terms cash, in Government funds, or 20 per cent. down. Purchases to be removed within five days from date of sale.

C. G. SATTELLE, Brevet Brig.-Gen. and Quartermaster, U. S. A.

WM. TOPPING & Co., Auctioneers.

AUCTION NOTICE.

LARGE, SPECIAL AND PEREMPTORY SALE OF WHITE GOODS, LACES, &c., ON WEDNESDAY, JAN. 29, At 10½ o'clock, at our Auction Rooms, No. 132 Church-st.

This sale consists of the entire stock in auction of the stock saved from the late fire on the premises of Messrs. A. BLUM & CO., and will be found to contain full assortments of desirable goods that are selected for this auction.

Catalogues and goods ready on morning of sale.

58TH AUCTION SALE OF SCRANTON COAL,

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railway Company will sell, by Messrs. JOHN H. DRAPER & CO., Auctioneers, at the Company's salesroom, No. 26 Exchange-place, New-York, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 29, at 12 o'clock M.

40,000 TONS OF COAL,

from the Lackawanna regions, deliverable at their depot, Elizabethport, New-Jersey, during the month of February, 1868. SAMUEL SLOAN, President.

AUCTION NOTICE.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE IN BANKRUPTCY.

RUDDEROW, JONES & CO. will sell on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 29, at 10 o'clock, at No. 30 Broadway, by order of Abel Horton, Esq., assignee in bankruptcy of M. W. Fredenburg, all the stock, Cloths, Doeskins, Canvas, Cassimeres, Linens, Farmers' Satins, Linings, Cottons, and Woolens contained in said store No. 301 Broadway.

Also, one Iron Safe; also, counters and fixtures, &c., &c.

Terms cash on the day of sale.

Catalogues and goods ready for examination on the morning of sale.

EXTENSIVE SALE OF BOOTS AND BOOTEES.

QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, PHILADELP

SHIPPING.

LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY.

The following FIRST-CLASS IRON STEAMSHIPS, built expressly for the New-York trade, are intended to sail regularly between NEW-YORK and LIVERPOOL, calling at QUEENSTOWN, viz.

MANHATTAN, MINNESOTA.
COLORADO, NEBRASKA.

with other first-class steamers building. To sail:
MINNESOTA ..... WEDNESDAY, Jan. 29
COLORADO (new). ..... WEDNESDAY, Feb. 5
NEBRASKA ..... WEDNESDAY, Feb. —

From Pier No. 37 East River.

Cabin (the accommodations being equal to any Atlantic steamer,) $80, gold; return tickets, $150, gold; in steerage, $25, currency.

Tickets to bring out passengers from Europe can be obtained on reasonable terms. For freight or passage apply to WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 71 Wall-st.

For steerage passage to WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 29 Broadway.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid new vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River, as follows:

VILLE DE PARIS, Surmont.....SATURDAY, Feb. 8
ST. LAURENT.....Bocande.....SATURDAY, Feb. 22
EUROPE.....Lenard.....SATURDAY, Mar. 7
PEREIRE.....Ducresne.....SATURDAY, Mar. 21

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD, (including wine,)
TO BREST OR HAVRE,
First cabin, $160; second cabin, $95.
TO PARIS,
including railway tickets, furnished on board,
First cabin, $185; second cabin, $98.

These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

Additional attendance free of charge.

American travelers going to or returning from the continent of Europe, by taking the steamers of this line, avoid unnecessary risks from transit by English railways and the exorbitant, bootless saving sums, trouble and expense.

GEO. MAURENZIE, Agent, No. 58 Broadway.

CUNARD LINE OF EXTRA STEAMERS.

BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.

FROM NEW-YORK EVERY WEDNESDAY

ALEPPO.....Jan. 29
TARIFA.....Feb. 12

RATES OF PASSAGE:

Cabin.....$80 Gold.
Steerage.....$25 Currency.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown at lowest rates.

For Freight and Cabin Passage, apply at No. 4 Bowling-green.

For Steerage Passage, apply at No. 69 Broadway.

E. CUNARD.

LONDON AND NEW-YORK STEAMSHIP LINE.

Passage to London direct, $110, $75 and $30 currency.

Excursion tickets at reduced rates available for six months.

CELLA, Capt. GLEADELL, from New-York, Feb. 5.
WM. PENN, Capt. BILLINGS, from New-York, Feb. 15.
ATALANTA, Capt. PEYNEMAN, from New-York, Feb. 29.
BELLONA, Capt. DIXON, from New-York, March 14.

The elegant British iron steamship CELLA will leave Pier No. 3, North River, for London direct, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 5.

Freight will be taken and through bills of lading given to Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, and Bremen.

For passage apply to ROBERT N. CLARK, No. 26 Broadway.

For freight apply at No. 54 South-st.
HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

THE NATIONAL LINE.

Steamers weekly to Liverpool and Queenstown, leaving Pier No. 47 North River, every SATURDAY.

FRANCE, Grace.....SATURDAY, Feb. 1
ERIN, Forbes.....SATURDAY, Feb. 8
VIRGINIA, Prowse.....SATURDAY, Feb. 15
HELVETIA, Cutting.....SATURDAY, Feb. 22

Cabin passage, $100, currency.

Steerage passage, $25, currency.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown $35 in currency.

Steerage tickets from Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg and Havre, $45 in currency.

For further particulars apply at the offices of the Company, Nos. 57 and 27 Broadway, or No. 73 Broadway.

P. W. J. HURST, Manager.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL — CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.—The Inman Line, under contract with the United States and British Governments for carrying the Mails.

ETNA (via Halifax).....MONDAY.....Jan. 27
CITY OF ANTWERP.....SATURDAY.....Feb. 8
CITY OF LONDON.....SATURDAY.....Feb. 8
CITY OF N. YORK (via Halifax).TUESDAY.....Feb. 11
CITY OF PARIS.....SATURDAY.....Feb. 15

And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate MONDAY, at 1 P. M., from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE:

By the mail steamer sailing every Saturday.

PAYABLE IN GOLD. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.

First Cabin.....$100 | Steerage.....$30
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Passage by the fortnightly steamers, first cabin, $90, gold; steerage, $30, currency.

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JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.
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SAFETY, SPEED AND COMFORT.

FURTHER REDUCTION IN PASSAGE RATES.

Favorite passenger steamers of the ANCHOR LINE sail every SATURDAY, with passengers for

LIVERPOOL or GLASGOW AND DERRY.

UNITED KINGDOM, DONALDSON, SATURDAY, Feb. 1
COLUMBIA, CARNAGHAN, SATURDAY, Feb. 8.
CALEDONIA, MACDONALD, SATURDAY, Feb. 15.

From Pier No. 20 North River, at noon.

Rates of passage, payable in currency:

To Liverpool, Glasgow and Derry, cabins, $80 and $75, according to location.

Excursion tickets, good for twelve months, $160.

Intermediate, $35; Steerage, $26.

Prepaid certificates from these ports, $35.

Passengers booked to and from Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp, Havre, &c., at very low rates.

For further information apply at the Company's office, No. 6 Bowling-green, New-York.

HENDERSON BROTHERS.

To avoid imposition, passengers will please come direct to the office, as this Company does not employ runners.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS,

BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT COBH HARBOR.

AUSTRALASIAN leaves .....WEDNESDAY, Jan. 29
RUSSIA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Feb. 5
SIBERIA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Feb. 12
PALMYRA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Feb. 19
CUBA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Feb. 26
JAVA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Mar. 4

Chief cabin passage.....$150
Second cabin passage.....80

TO PARIS.

Chief cabin passage.....165

Payable in gold.

Berths not secured until paid for.

An experienced surgeon on board.

The owners of these ships will not be accountable for specie or valuables, unless bills of lading having the value expressed are signed therefor.

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FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.

UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month:

SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. TINKLEPAUGH, Feb. 21.
MISSISSIPPI, Capt. GEO. B. SLOCUM, March 23.
MARIBACH, Capt. L. F. TINKLEPAUGH, April 23.

These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to

WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

UNITED STATES MAIL TO HAVANA.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

SAILING EVERY SATURDAY, AT HALF-PAST 2 O'CLOCK P. M. PRECISELY, FROM PIER No. 4, NORTH RIVER.

MORRO CASTLE, Capt. ADAMS, via Nassau, Jan. 30.
COLUMBIA, Capt. F. C. SICE, Feb. 6.
EAGLE, Capt. M. R. GREENE, Feb. 13.

For freight or passage, apply to
GEO. L. HATTON, President,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

FOR SISAL AND VERA CRUZ.—UNITED STATES mail steamship GEORGIA, DRAKEN, master, will sail as above from Pier No. 2 East River, on TUESDAY, Feb. 4, at 3 P. M.

For freight or passage, apply to
F. ALEXANDRE & SONS, No. 44 Beaver-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.

EVERY THURSDAY.

The Atlantic Coast Mail Steamship Company's side-wheel steamships
HERMAN LIVINGSTON, Capt. EATON, sails THURSDAY, Jan. 30.
GEN. BARNES, Capt. MORTON, sails THURSDAY, Feb. 6.

From Pier No. 36 North River, at 3 P. M. precisely, giving through passage tickets over the Central Railroad of Georgia, and Atlantic and Gulf Railroad, to points in the interior, and by Florida steamers to points on the coast of Florida.

For freight or passage apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents,
No. 36 Liberty-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.

BLACK STAR INDEPENDENT LINE.

The first-class steamships
HUNTSVILLE, CROWELL, leaves...SATURDAY, Feb. 1
MONTGOMERY, LYONS, leaves...SATURDAY, Feb. 8
At 3 P. M., from Pier No. 3 North River.

R. LOWDEN, Agent, No. 23 West-st.

Through passage tickets given over the Central R. R. of Georgia and Atlantic and Gulf R. R. of Florida, to all points in the interior, at lower rates than any other line.

FOR NORFOLK AND PORTSMOUTH.

OLD DOMINION STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

One of the elegant steamships of this Company will leave Pier No. 47 North River, foot of Beach-st., every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, at 3 P. M. Connecting with the seaboard and Roanoke Railroad and the Virginia and Tennessee Air Line, and other connections.

For freight or passage apply to
R. L. MCCREADY, President,
No. 187 Greenwich-st., corner of Dey-st.

FOR CITY POINT AND RICHMOND.

OLD DOMINION STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

One of the elegant steamships of this Company will leave Pier No. 47 North River, foot of Beach-st., every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY at 3 P. M., connecting with the Richmond and Danville, Virginia Central, and Petersburgh and Weldon Railroads.

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No. 187 Greenwich-st., corner of Dey-st.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., AND FLORIDA PORTS.—THE PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

MONSEKA, Capt. SHACKFORD, FRIDAY, Jan. 31.
S. B. SOUDER, Capt. LEROY, FRIDAY, Feb. 7.

From Pier No. 3 North River, at 3 P. M. Through passage tickets and bills of lading issued to all points South, in connection with the South Carolina Railroad, and by steamers to Florida ports.

Freight taken as low as by any other line.

WHEELER & LINNARD, Agents, 13 Broadway.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., THE FLORIDA PORTS AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST. Regular line—Cabin passage, $15. Measurement goods 10c. per cubic foot. Freight lower than by any other line. The fast and popular steamship SARAGOSSA, Capt. B. B. CROWELL, Commander, will be dispatched on SATURDAY, Feb. 1, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 14 East River, foot of Wall-st.

Bills of lading signed for all points in the Interior.

Agents in Charleston forward all goods free of commission. ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.—THE CROMWELL LINE.—Steamships of this line will leave Pier No. 8, N. R., at 3 o'clock P. M., as follows:

GEN. WASHINGTON, SATURDAY, Jan. 30.
CHARLES DANIEL, SATURDAY, Feb. 8.

For freight or passage apply to
H. B. CROMWELL & CO., Agents, No. 36 West-st.

SHIPPING.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE TO

CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.

FREIGHT AND PASSAGE AT GREATLY REDUCED RATES.

Steamers of the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon of the 1st, 11th, and 21st of every month, except when these dates fall on Sunday, then on Saturday preceding.

One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.

Feb. 1.—ARIZONA, Capt. MAURY, connecting with steamer GREAT REPUBLIC, leaving San Francisco, March 4, for Japan and China.

For passage tickets and all further information apply at the Company's ticket office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st. E. E. BARY, Agent.

NORTH AMERICAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

OPPOSITION TO MONOPOLY!
THROUGH LINE TO CALIFORNIA.
Via Panama or Nicaragua.

Will dispatch their new and splendid steamships from New-York, from Pier No. 29 North River, foot Warren-st., as nearly as possible, as below named, or other lines, as may be advertised:

For passage and freight, over both routes, as follows:

VIA PANAMA.

FEB. 15, 1868—Steamship ARAGO, connecting with steamship OREGONIAN.
MARCH 5, 1868—Steamship SANTIAGO DE CUBA, connecting with steamship NEBRASKA.

VIA NICARAGUA.

FEB. 25, 1868—Steamship SAN FRANCISCO, connecting with steamship MOSES TAYLOR.

These steamships are expressly fitted for this trade, and are unsurpassed for safety, speed, elegance and comfort, and their rates for passage and freight will ALWAYS BE LOWER THAN BY ANY OTHER LINE.

For further particulars address the undersigned at No. 177 West-street, New-York.

D. N. CARRINGTON, Agent.
WM. H. WEBB, President.
CHAS. DANA, Vice-President.
No. 56 Exchange-place, New-York.

FOR CALIFORNIA VIA PANAMA.

REDUCED RATES OF FREIGHT.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer ARIZONA will sail on SATURDAY, Feb. 1, at 12 o'clock, noon.

Freight received until Friday at 3 P. M.

For rates, &c., inquire at freight office on Company's Pier No 42, North River, foot of Canal-st.

To ensure shipment, freight must be sent down early.

WELLS, FARGO & CO.,
Sole Freight Agents P. M. S. S. Co.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—U. States passports indispensable to travelers, issued by J. B. NONES, Passpor Agent, 363 Broadway.

RAILROADS.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT—CHANGE OF TIME.
Leave James-slip:

9 A. M., mail train, for Greenport and all way-stations, connecting at Mineola with trains for Glen Cove and Hempstead.

11 A. M., Syosset passenger trains and all way-stations.

3 P. M., Express train for Riverhead.

4 P. M., Syosset and Glen Cove passenger train and all way-stations.

5 P. M., Farmingdale and Hempstead, passenger train, and Express train for Babylon.

Sunday excursion train leaves Hunter's Point 9:15 A. M., arrives at Hunter's Point at 4:40 P. M. To take effect Nov. 4, 1867.

I. D. BARTON, Superintendent.

PEIPHER'S DAILY LINE OF TRANSPORTATION.

On and after Nov. 1, 1867, the Peiphers' Daily Line will receive and transport goods and merchandise to Harrisburgh and stations beyond, from the depot of the Morris and Essex Railroad Company, Pier No. 26 North River. All goods received up to 4 o'clock P. M. will be forwarded the same day. Freight taken at lowest rates and forwarded with dispatch.

Mark goods "Via Peipher daily line to Harrisburgh, Penn." J. B. MONTGOMERY,
Proprietor Peipher Line.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry:

8 A. M.—Day Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points West and South.

8:30 A. M.—Way Train daily for Otisville and intermediate stations.

10 A. M.—Express Mail, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points West and South.

3:30 P. M.—Way Train for Middletown and intermediate stations.

4:30 P. M.—Way Express, stopping only at Sterling Junction, Turner's, and stations west of Turner's, to Port Jervis, Newburgh and Warwick.

5 P. M.—Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.

5:30 P. M.—Night Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points South and West.

6 P. M.—Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.

6:30 P. M.—Night Express, daily, for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points West and South. Sleeping cars and through coaches will run through to Cincinnati without change.

8 P. M.—Emigrant Train daily, for the West.

9 A. M.—Way Train for Boulton Spring, Paterson and Paterson at 6:45 and 9:15 A. M., 12 M. and 1:45, 4, 6:45 and 11 P. M. On Wednesday nights a Theatre Train at 12 o'clock for Suffern and intermediate stations.

SUNDAY TRAINS.—8:30 A. M. Way Train for Otisville; 12 M., mail train; 5:30 P. M. for Paterson; 6:30 P. M. Night Express for Dunkirk, Buffalo, Rochester, Salamanca and all points West and South; 11 P. M. for Paterson and Port Jervis.

Express Trains run through to Salamanca, Dunkirk and Buffalo without change of coaches, and in direct connection with all Southern and Western lines

Perfectly ventilated and luxurious sleeping coaches accompany all Night Trains.

Tickets can be obtained at the Company's offices, No. 241 Broadway, foot of Chambers-st., New-York, and Long Dock Depot, Jersey City.

WM. H. BARR, Gen'l Pass. Agent. H. RIDDLE, Gen'l Sup't.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.—On and after MONDAY, Nov. 25, 1867, trains for Troy, connecting with Rensselaer and Saratoga and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:

8 A. M. Express train, via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st., and 10th-av., through to Troy, connecting with Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.

10 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with trains for the West, and at Troy with trains for the North.

11 A. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c., at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.

3:45 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping-car attached.

4:30 P. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c.; and at Albany with Western trains. Sleeping-cars attached at Albany.

6:30 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-car attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping-car every day excepting Saturdays attached from New-York at 6 P. M. through to Ogdensburgh without change, via Rome, W. and O. Railroad. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Saturdays.

11 P. M. Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, connecting at Albany with early trains for Saratoga and points North.

A Sunday train will be run via Hudson River Railroad from New-York to Poughkeepsie and intermediate stations, leaving New-York at 9 A. M. Returning, leave Poughkeepsie at 3 P. M., arriving in New-York at 6:40.

Also, a Sunday train via Harlem Railroad, leaving 42d-st. at 9 A. M., and arriving at Millerton at 12:40 P. M. Returning, leave Millerton at 4:30 P. M., arriving in New-York at 11 P. M.

H. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains leave Jersey City for Piermont at 5:30 and 9:25 A. M., 1:22, 4:22, 5:23 and 6:32 P. M. The 5:30, 1:22 and 4:22 run to Monsey.

THOS. W. DEMAREST, Supt.

STEAMBOATS.

BRISTOL LINE

THE STEAMERS
BRISTOL AND PROVIDENCE.

Having been withdrawn for a few weeks in order to refit and renovate them, the line will be covered by the FAST AND WELL-KNOWN FREIGHT PROPELLERS, METIS AND DORIS,

which will make their trips in the usual time.

GOODS WILL BE DELIVERED WITH PROMPTNESS AND DISPATCH.

H. O. BRIGGS, General Manager.
GEO. W. TIERS, Freight Agent.

FOR BOSTON VIA STONINGTON.

REOPENING OF THE STONINGTON ROUTE.
Commencing on MONDAY, Jan. 20, 1868,

The new and elegant and seagoing steamers STONINGTON, Capt. WILL. M. JONES, on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, and the NARRAGANSETT, Capt. GEORGE HILL, on TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS; leaving Pier No. 33 North River, foot of Jay-st., at 4 o'clock P. M., connecting with the Stonington and Providence and the Boston and Providence Railroads.

These splendid steamers are unsurpassed for safety and comfort, and passengers will be landed in Boston in ample time for all the early trains.

For passage, or for freight at the lowest rates, apply on the Pier No. 33 North River.

SAMUEL DEVEAU, Agent.

D. S. BABCOCK, President of the Stonington Steamboat Company.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD &c.—P. Fare, $1. Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 4 P. M., and Catharine-slip for New-Haven at 11 P. M.

SHATTERED CONSTITUTIONS RESTORED by HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU.

LEGAL NOTICES.

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE CO., IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, No. 46 WALL-ST.
NEW-YORK, Nov. 4, 1867.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AT a meeting of the Board of Directors of this Company, duly convened to-day at this office, the following resolutions increasing the guarantee capital stock of this Company, and directing the time and mode of subscribing for and paying in the same, including the closing and opening of the stock transfer-books, were unanimously adopted. Resolved, That the guarantee capital stock of this Company be increased one hundred thousand dollars, and that the subscriptions for the same, in shares of fifty dollars each, shall be received at the office of this Company, No. 46 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, on SATURDAY, the eighth day of February next, between the hours of ten o'clock A. M. and three o'clock P. M., and on each succeeding day between the same hours during six business days thereafter, unless the subscription shall be sooner filled, and the par value of every such share being fifty dollars, be it hereby required to be paid in, in cash, in sums of ten dollars per share at the time of making such subscriptions, and the balance, being forty dollars per share, within ten business days from and after the fifteenth day of February next, and the proprietors of the existing guarantee capital are hereby declared to be the preferred parties in such subscriptions. Resolved, That notice of the intention to increase the capital stock of this Company one hundred thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby directed to be published for a period of three months, in two daily newspapers published in the City of New-York. Resolved, That the stock transfer-books of the Company be, and the same are hereby directed to be closed on and from Wednesday, the fifth day of February next, at noon, until Wednesday, the fourth day of March next, at noon.

NICHOLAS DEBOOT, Secretary.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

SLEIGHS! SLEIGHS!—SLEIGH-BELLS, &c., cheap, cheap, cheap, cheap, cheap, cheap; cheap; $1, $1, $2, $2, $4, $4, $24, $24, $40, $60, $100. Carriages, carriages, carriages; several second-hand at CALVIN WITTY'S Carriage Depot, Broadway near Bleecker-st.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 23d day of January, A. D. 1868, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of MORRIS WAITZFELDER, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt, on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 97 Broadway, in the City of New-York, before Isaiah T. Williams, Register, on the 7th day of February, A. D. 1868, at 12 o'clock M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal,
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.
JAN. 27, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 13th day of January, A. D. 1868, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of JOHN B. AUGUR, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 107 Broadway, in the City of New-York, before Mr. Henry Wilder Allen, Register, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1868, at 11 o'clock A. M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal,
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.
JAN. 27, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON THE 17th day of January, A. D. 1868, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of JOHN B. FULLER, of New-York City, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 2 Boerum-st., corner of Fulton-ferry, in the City of New-York, before Samuel Hotchkiss, Register, on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1868, at 12 o'clock M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal,
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.
JAN. 27, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON THE 17th day of January, A. D. 1868, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of REINHARD D. BORNIAFEL, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts, and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 29 Nassau-st., in the City of New-York, before Alexander Johnston, Register, on the 7th day of February, A. D. 1868, at 12 o'clock M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal,
as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.
JAN. 27, 1868.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of WALTER H. STEVENS, Bankrupt.—The Bankrupt having applied to the District Court for a discharge from his debts: By order of the Court, notice is hereby given to all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest, to appear on the 11th day of February, A. D. 1868, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at Chambers of the said District Court, before Isaac Dayton, one of the Registers of the said Court in Bankruptcy, at his office, No. 209 Broadway, in the City of New-York, and show cause why the prayer of the said petition of the bankrupt should not be granted. And further notice is hereby given, that the second and third meetings of creditors of said bankrupt, required by the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth sections of the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, known as the Bankrupt act, will be had before the said Register, upon the same day, that cause may be shown against the discharge of the said bankrupt, at the same hour and place.

Dated New-York, 13th day of January, 1868.

GEORGE F. BETTS, Clerk.
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IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of ALFRED M. COFFIN, bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court, by Alfred M. Coffin, in said district, praying to be declared a bankrupt under the act of Congress March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts, and other claims provable under said act, and that the 6th day of February, 1868, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the office of THEODORE M. DIMON, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 57 Broadway, in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted. And further notice is hereby given, that the second and third meetings of creditors will be held at the same time and place.—Dated at New-York, on the 28th day of January, 1868.

GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.
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IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of JOHN H. ELLIOTT, Bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court, by John H. Elliott, in said district, duly declared a bankrupt under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts, and other claims provable under said act, and that the 6th day of February, 1868, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of Mr. James F. Dwight, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 7 Beekman-st., corner of Nassau, in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend, and show cause, if they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted; and that the second and third meetings of creditors will be held at the same time and place.

Dated at New-York, on the 18th day of January 1868.

GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.
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IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of ARCHIBALD JOHNSTON, Bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court, by Archibald Johnston, in said district, praying to be declared a bankrupt under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 6th day of February, 1868, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of Edgar Ketchum, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 83 Nassau street, in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted. And that the second and third meetings of creditors will be held at the same time and place.

Dated at New-York, Jan. 11, 1868.

GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of CÆSAR NEWMAN, Bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court, by Cæsar Newman, in said district, duly declared a bankrupt, under the Act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 24th day of February, 1868, at 12 o'clock, M., at the office of John F. Bailey, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 44 Nassau-st., in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted. And that the second and third meetings of creditors will be held at the same time and place.

Dated New-York, on the 19th day of January, 1868.

GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Southern District of New-York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of CHARLES E. BABCOCK, Bankrupt.—The said bankrupt having filed in court a petition for a discharge and certificate thereof, from all his debts and other claims provable under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, by order of the Court notice is hereby given to all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest, to appear on the 6th day of February, 1868, at 12 o'clock M., at chambers of the said District Court, before Alfred M. Ogden, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 7 Beekman-st., (corner of Nassau,) Rooms Nos. 3 and 4, in the City of New-York, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted. And further notice is hereby given that the second and third meetings of the creditors of said bankrupt will be held before the said Register at the same time and place.

Dated at New-York, Jan. 13, 1868.

GEORGE F. BETTS, Clerk.
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DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Southern District of New-York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of CHARLES E. BABCOCK, Bankrupt.—The said bankrupt having filed in court a petition for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts and other claims provable under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, by order of the Court notice is hereby given to all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest, to appear on the 6th day of February, 1868, at 12 o'clock M., at chambers of the said District Court, before Mr. James F. Dwight, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 7 Beekman-st., (corner of Nassau,) Rooms Nos. 3 and 4, in the City of New-York, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted. And further notice is hereby given that the second and third meetings of the creditors of said bankrupt will be held before the said Register, at the same time and place.

Dated New-York, Jan. 13, 1868.

GEORGE F. BETTS, Clerk.
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IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of JOHN H. ELLIOTT, Bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court, by John H. Elliott, in said district, duly declared a bankrupt under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts, and other claims provable under said act, and that the 6th day of February, 1868, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of Mr. James F. Dwight, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 7 Beekman-st., corner of Nassau, Rooms Nos. 3 and 4, in the City of New-York, before Mr. James F. Dwight, Register, on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1868, at 12 o'clock M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal,
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.
JAN. 27, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON THE 17th day of January, A. D. 1868, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of REINHARD D. BORNIAFEL, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts, and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 29 Nassau-st., in the City of New-York, before Alexander Johnston, Register, on the 7th day of February, A. D. 1868, at 12 o'clock M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal,
as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.
JAN. 27, 1868.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of WALTER H. STEVENS, Bankrupt.—In the matter of WALTER H. STEVENS, Bankrupt.—To the creditors of Walter H. Stevens: Take notice, that a petition has been filed in said Court by Walter H. Stevens, of the County of Sullivan, and State of New-York, in said District, duly declared a bankrupt under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, praying for a discharge and certificate thereof, from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that at the 13th day of February, 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M., at No. 9 Law Building, City of New-York, and County of New-York, in said District, before Mr. John W. Little, Register in Bankruptcy, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where you may attend and show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted. And further take notice that the second and third general meetings of the creditors of said bankrupt will be held at the same time and place, for the purpose named in the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth sections of the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, known as the Bankrupt act, will be had before the said Register, upon the same day, that cause may be shown against the discharge of the said bankrupt, at the same hour and place.

Dated New-York, 13th day of January, 1868.

GEORGE F. BETTS, Clerk.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of ALFRED M. COFFIN, bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court, by Alfred M. Coffin, in said district, praying to be declared a bankrupt under the act of Congress March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts, and other claims provable under said act, and that the 6th day of February, 1868, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the office of THEODORE M. DIMON, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 57 Broadway, in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. And further notice is hereby given that the second and third meetings of creditors of said bankrupt will be held before the said Register at the same time and place.—Dated at New-York, on the 24th day of January, 1868.

GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.
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IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States

AFFAIRS IN TENNESSEE.

Imperfect Reconstruction — Miscellaneous News—Mechanics and Laborers Wanted in Tennessee.

From Our Own Correspondent.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Thursday, Jan. 23, 1868.

The effort of the TIMES to sustain Gen. HANCOCK in his honest endeavors to subordinate the military to the civil law, must meet with the hearty approval of every true patriot. There are certain features of Gen. HANCOCK's orders concerning the administration of the civil laws by the judicial tribunals which are worthy of commendation and of special attention, as they have been assailed with peculiar violence by a certain class of the partisan Press of the country. I refer to his orders concerning the selection of jurors for the trial of civil cases. It has been the practice in some of the Southern States, since the war, to select jurors only from those enfranchised by special constitutional provisions or military orders. Gen. HANCOCK found such orders in force in his district and set them aside. An experience under the special reconstruction of Tennessee has developed the baneful results of such laws, and if any defence was needed for him, he would find it in the experience of our judicial tribunals. I have had occasion, heretofore, to refer to the alarming developments witnessed in our courts in this respect, but as an evidence of the effects of partisan legislation, a constant recurrence to these results might be of public good. Those only who appreciate the value of an honest judiciary as one of the safeguards of civil liberty, are competent to realize the danger which these jury-laws provoke. The fact that such laws are enacted in retaliation for like oppressive statutes enforced by the rebels when they were in power, explains their nature and danger. Retaliation and the fear of future oppression, has been the reason and logic upon which most of our late Tennessee laws have been justified. Whatever merit such reasoning may have in determining laws for the control of the Executive and Legislative Departments of the Government, it has none in weighing the merits of laws to govern the administration of justice. The rights of person and property are too dear to be determined by judicial officers and jurors created for the purpose of serving party. We have had in Tennessee for two years a law which makes disfranchisement a cause for challenge in impanelling juries. So corrupting has this law been that in some courts the verdict of a jury can be determined by the political *status* of the jurors. In a neighboring county, not long since, one of these partisan juries brought in two verdicts within the same hour, in direct conflict with each other, both in favor of their confederates in the Union League. In the first case the plaintiff was a "loyal" man, and their verdict was in his favor; in the second case, the plaintiff was a rebel, and their verdict was against him, though the principles involved were precisely the same in both cases. Like corruption has possessed some in high judicial positions. Politics frequently manifests their influence in courts in ordinary times; but when that influence is forced into the courts by legislation, it becomes alarming and dangerous. When litigants, having important suits pending, attach themselves to partisan organizations to gain their influence in the jury-box, as is and has been done here, the evil cries aloud for redress. If reconstruction means that none but partisans of the dominant faction are to have protection in the courts, then none but partisans should be allowed in the jury box. When military commanders or legislatures fix that qualification as one requisite for jurors, they offer a premium and their public indorsement upon corruption. It is no justification for such laws that the rebels did the same to oppress Union men. They legislated in war times to suppress liberty and loyalty, while present laws are enacted in a time of peace for a permanent society and for the protection of liberty and the administration of justice to all men. This notorious corruption of which I write is one of the results of *partisan reconstruction*, and one of the evidences of that ideal "government, *republican* in form," which we have in Tennessee.

The action of the State Convention which met in Nashville yesterday is rather significant. Why was not Gov. BROWNLOW recommended for the Vice-Presidency? Has he no support in his own State for a position which he has coveted so long? Is Tennessee Radicalism seeking safety under cover of moderate Republicanism which it has abused for years? I have heretofore called attention to the want of statesmanship and policy in the dominant party here, not because I wanted to see the Democracy with its anti-war record succeed, but because I felt confident that the mad partisanship of our Tennessee party leaders would overthrow the party and give the Government over into the hands of that Democracy. The TIMES has published many other letters of a similar nature, and it and the writers have been denounced as traitors and liars and wretches by the chaste organ which communicates the policy and views of a few of the leaders. But time and events have vindicated their judgment, and the first proof of such vindication is the action of the State Convention. There is a division in the councils of the leaders. The masses are rebelling against the policy of the extremists, and the party, if it is to succeed, must stand upon such principles as commend themselves to the judgment of men who want to do right by all classes, even to those who are their opponents. Legislation which has for its sole object the success of party, cannot be sustained. No end, however desirable, can justify corrupt or unjust laws.

Tennessee, on account of the enfranchisement of the blacks, claims a Congressman at large. Gen. J. A. COOPER, Commander of the Militia of the State during the last canvass, seems to be the favorite for the position.

Cases, to test the constitutionality of the third Franchise law, which enfranchises the blacks, are in the lower courts, and will be carried to the Supreme Court during the Summer. The decision of the Court on this question will determine which candidate will receive the electoral vote of the State in the Presidential election.

Maryville, the county town of the adjoining County of Blount, was visited with a destructive conflagration last Saturday night. The office of the Maryville *Republican* and half of an entire square was burned.

The recent rains have raised the streams so that large cargoes of corn can be carried to market. One trader in Claiborne County, along the Clynch River, has 25,000 bushels ready for shipment.

The coldest Winter weather has passed, and preparations for Spring work are commencing. The lumber and brick business will be larger the coming season than last. The prospects for active work among the builders were very good. Nearly 300 buildings were put up in this city last season, and it is estimated that a larger number will be erected this year. I know of no finer field for good house-builders than East Tennessee. Good carpenters have more work than they can do at good wages. Indifferent workmen are abundant and no more are wanted. Good, reliable farm hands can find desirable lands to be let out on shares, or can find work by the month. Good gardeners are in great demand. While the shops of the North are discharging their hundreds, good, skilled workmen in any trade can command good wages and find situations without trouble in the South. Tennessee offers fine inducements to the farming classes, and good lands can be had at reasonable prices. OMEGA.

FOREIGN NEWS BY MAIL.

ARRIVAL OF THE CUNARD STEAMSHIP SIBERIA.

The Royal mail steamship *Siberia*, which left Liverpool Jan. 11, and Queenston Jan. 12, arrived at this port yesterday, with two days' later advices than were at hand by the *Germania*.

The London *Daily News*, in its City article, says it was stated that English and German holders had returned to the New-York market a very large amount of United States bonds in consequence of the disgust excited by Gen. BUTLER's motion for paying off the Five-twenty bonds in American currency, and by the discussions on the subject which have since been continued to the serious injury of American credit.

The Atlantic Telegraph Company had issued proposals for the creation of £1,800,000 ten per cent. preferential capital to rank next to the £641,845 per cent. preference stocks existing. The object is to bring the entire undertaking into one establishment by paying off the shareholders of the Anglo-American Company, which they have a right to do at a premium of 100 per cent. Under this arrangement the capital will consist of £641,845 eight per cent. preference and £617,750 old stock, making a total of £2,589,595. The revenue of the undertaking for the year ending the 27th July last was £206,000, and for that ending in July next it is estimated to amount at least to £265,000.

The London *Advertiser* says that GARIBALDI had requested the report to be contradicted that he had returned any answer to an address forwarded to him by the Fenians, and he moreover states that on this subject he would support the Government.

Galignani has the following telegram from Berlin: "Count DE BISMARCK, at a hunting banquet at Barby, has made a speech to a large company of notables. He said that the spectre of a war with France was a pure phantasm, and he invited all present to have no anxiety on this subject."

AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

The Abyssinian Expedition—Irish Questions—The Queen's Diary—Italian Affairs—Reform and Education—International Copyright—Amusements.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Jan. 11, 1868.

There is no news of the least importance. I presume, therefore, that the Atlantic Telegraph, that *bête noir* of foreign correspondents, has taken a holiday. If so, no news is good news, sure enough, and I shall be the first to tell you—that nothing has happened. I write from the force of habit slowly, and as a matter of form allude to the few matters that, viewed in some aspects, might be interesting.

Everything goes beautifully in the Abyssinian ex-

THE ABYSSINIAN EXPEDITION.

pedition, and I cannot delight you with a single disaster. The mules suffer, of course, and will cost a million sterling; more than a light railway. Horses and camels fare as badly, and what, I wonder, will become of the elephants? There has been no fighting. THEODORE is still hundreds of miles away. The Egyptians are sending a force of 12,000 men; no one knows what for or by whom instigated. The English do not like this interference at all, but as they go with the sole object of freeing the prisoners, and have solemnly pledged themselves before the assembled universe to get out of the blasted country as soon as that object is accomplished, what is to hinder the Egyptians taking what they have promised to leave?

FENIANISM.

The Fenians have done nothing for a week. Two hundred thousand special constables are pining in enforced idleness. BURKE, CASEY and SHAW *alias* Mullany, after a month of remands, have been committed for treason—felony—buying arms and caps at Birmingham—and sent to Warwick jail to await their trial.

Just enough movement remains among the Fenians to keep up the panic. Irishmen, from constant reading of Fenianism in the papers, go crazy, and declare themselves Fenians. A sailor in the navy, attached to one of the guardships, near the Queen's residence, at the Isle of Wight, refused to take a pistol against the Fenians. Tried by Court-martial his defence showed that he was as mad as a Marchhare; but they sentenced him to five years penal servitude notwithstanding. Soldiers are often attacked with the same epidemic. A curious circumstance happened a few weeks ago at the Royal Barracks, Dublin. Every round of ammunition served out to the main guard for night duty was missing, when the men's pouches were examined at the customary inspection next morning, when the guard was changed. Drillings, under the guise of foot-ball matches are said to be going on at several places near Cork, and there are other signs of preparation for some enterprise.

The *Irishman* has been prosecuted for seditious libels in a series of articles from last June, most of them copied from American papers. Included in the charge is a leader on the Mancester executions, and an advertisement of the Dublin funeral procession. Even figures may be libellous or seditious. An advertisement is prosecuted which consisted simply of three numbers, without note or comment. These, if you dare print them, were: "'98, '48, '68." It may be a sum in Addition, or the Rule of Three—or it may be treason, or the number of the beast. And if three numbers would suppress a newspaper, or send the publisher to penal servitude, how many would hang him? And if articles published last June were seditious, why has the Government waited till January? Surely the French system of *advertisements* or warning to an offending journal is more reasonable, than to let a paper go on for seven months, filling the Empire with sedition, foreign and domestic, and then to bring it up with a round turn after this long career of unchecked treason. Such a Government may be the best in the world, but it cannot be called the wisest.

THE IRISH CHURCH.

Mr. MASON JONES gave his lecture Thursday night on the Irish Church, the most absurd blunder of religious despotism that now exists, perhaps that has ever existed, on this planet. Dissenting minorities have in many countries been compelled to support the religion of the majority, but I remember no instance in which for three centuries a people has been compelled to support the Church of an insignificant minority—amounting now to only eleven per cent. of the population. Near the close of his eloquent two hours address Mr. JONES said that Ireland had at last come into such a condition of disloyalty as to be a serious danger to England in case of a war with any foreign Power, for if the Emperor NAPOLEON or President JOHNSON were to land a single boat load of soldiers on the Irish coast, the country could not be held twenty-four hours. At this there was a great row. The Irish cheered as Irishmen only can; the loyal English hissed as hard as they were able, and it seemed likely at one time that the great battle of Armageddon would begin then and there. Order was finally restored and the lecture finished. There is little doubt that some hundreds of Fenians, who had been in Bow-street, watching for a chance to rescue BURKE and DEASEY, had gone to the St. James Hall to listen to Mr. JONES.

The Irish Church question, I believe, is pretty well settled. It only needs continual agitation—for, if you let English statesmen have a moment's peace on any question, they fall asleep and take a nap of half a century. There has not been a day for three hundred years when this Irish Church was not as absurd and outrageous an imposition as it is to-day. It has been an admitted wrong for generations—but nothing has been done or would be without something to wake up the Rip Van Winkles. It is a pity the English Government and Press and people should need such a goad as Fenianism, or should require to be waked up with all sorts of violent explosions; but unless something of the kind is done they will fall asleep even now, and the whole matter be forgotten until there is a new outbreak.

THE LAND QUESTION.

The land question is a more difficult one than that of the Church, because the Irish proprietors care more for their property than for the manner in which their religion shall be supported, if not for the religion itself. The small and comparatively wealthy class of Protestant Churchmen can easily support their bishops and clergy, whose pay, after all, will come, only in a different way, out of the land and the labor upon it. But the land men will fight to the last. The population of Ireland is now about 5,500,000, say 170 to the square mile. In France there are 177. The agricultural population of Ireland is less than a million, and the arable land 15,500,000 acres. There is, besides, a million acres of waste land, which can easily be reclaimed. There is land enough, and would be for three generations; but at this moment, in one county, there are seventy families undergoing the process of eviction—turned into the highway at this inclement season. But this question will be settled if the Irish will only *not* wait, and be sufficiently unquiet. The English are really well disposed, only they are so slow, banging and blundering. They mean to do justice to Ireland, and the thing that is right, generally, if they only knew how, and did not go to sleep and forget all about it. I should not like to take the responsibility of advising in such a case, but if two or three Irishmen should heroically get themselves hanged at intervals of a few weeks, I judge by what I see of the movements of public opinion, that it would not be long before justice to Ireland would be substantially accomplished. I am aware that a great many have been hanged in times past; but is not the progress of the nation toward civil and religious liberty marked as with milestones by the frequent gallows? O'CONNELL's agitation is marked only by the prison cell. In 1848 Irishmen were only sentenced to (not hanged upon) the political gallows. Now, however, we have returned to the original institution, which was welcomed in Dublin the other day, when they took off their hats and cheered in Thomas-street; and now we may fairly expect more rapid progress.

THE QUEEN'S DIARY.

The event of the week is the publication of the Queen's Diary, chiefly of her residence and excursions in the Highlands of Scotland, including, however, some account of her *one* visit to Ireland, when the enthusiastic women waded into the water up to their knees that they might welcome her the sooner. The papers are filled with interesting extracts and eulogistic comments. Literary justice is, of course, impossible; but there is no ground for criticism The Queen, beyond all doubt, has been a model woman, wife, mother, sovereign. She is the Queen of middle-class England, with all its virtues in full flower and fruitage. This diary shows her fond of her husband, who is "dear Albert," and her children, "Bertie" and "Vickey," (the Prince of Wales and the Princess Royal,) and enjoying very much the scenery and people of the Highlands, and even the long sermons of the Scottish kirk. She gives JOHN BROWN an excellent character. She was sea-sick in rough weather, and VICKEY sat down on a wasp's nest and got stung, like any other little girl under similar circumstances; for the wasps have as little respect for royalty as other Fenians. The publication of this journal will increase English loyalty, and make the Queen not less respected and more beloved. I may not join with the popular journal, which some one has called the "Gaily Bellowgraph," in saying "this simple volume is rife and sweet with evidence that this highest lady of the earth knows no chill pride of rank, but desires, and has even set the example, of perfect courtesies and cordial good-will between class and class," but I very cheerfully agree that England has not, for some centuries at least, had a better sovereign.

If I were inclined to criticise, not the woman, the wife, the mother, but the Queen, I should say she had done little for her country beyond setting a good example of a quiet, selfish, blameless domestic life. Her own children are well educated—the children of her people are deplorably wanting in the means of education. Her family has been well cared for, while thousands of families have been driven from her realm, or have lived and died in extreme penury and suffering. She has covered England and Scotland with costly monuments to "ALBERT the good," while thousands are dying for want of decent dwellings and wholesome food, and proper sanitary conditions. She is expending many thousands of pounds upon a gorgeous monument to her husband, in Hyde Park, while all the widows of British soldiers in England are without pensions, and their only asylum is one little affair, which shelters fifty-one of them, and allows them five shillings a week to live on. History will do justice to the virtues of Queen VICTORIA, but I do not see that it can point to any great work that she has accomplished or promoted for the benefit of her subjects. Poor NELL GUINNE will never be respected as a model of virtue, but as the foundress of a great national institution of benevolence, her tarnished name is held in grateful remembrance. There is no lack of good, virtuous women in England, model wives and mothers. There are thousands of whom it may be said, "she hath done what she could." "This highest lady of the earth" can scarcely be said to have done for the great Empire of which she is Sovereign, what she might have done. With every feeling of kindness and respect which one must entertain toward so good a woman, it must still be admitted that she is far from fulfilling our ideal of a great and benificent Sovereign, constantly wielding her vast influence for the good of her people.

ITALIAN AFFAIRS.

We, in England, are very much annoyed by the official revelations respecting the conduct of our friends in Italy. It is hard to say who comes worst off. The King, the Ministers, the Roman revolutionary committee, and GARIBALDI all seem to have behaved as badly as possible. The King, bound by his treaty to FRANCE, intrigued with the revolutionists. The ministry furnished money to insurrectionary committees, and telegraphed—"pursue but do not overtake them." The Roman Committee failed to provide arms for the insurrection. GARIBALDI allowed himself to be made the cat's paw of the men in power, and led his ragged volunteers into a trap. The condition of Italy could scarcely be worse, and therefore some improvement may be hoped for. But the English, who have given them money freely—some to aid Italian unity, and much more to destroy the Papacy, are getting discouraged. GARIBALDI is true to his English friends, however, and will have nothing to do with the Fenians. As a rule he is in favor of republicanism and nationality—but Ireland is an exception. As the Irish detest GARIBALDI, there is no love lost between them.

REFORM AND EDUCATION.

The Reform League has been discussing the Fenian question. The members do not agree very well. Some favor an Irish Parliament on College Green; some would have a vote of the Irish people decide their form of government. Why not a plebiscite in Ireland, they say, as well as in Italy? But the Irish, others say, have no right to freedom themselves, as long as they support the Pope, curse GARIBALDI, and deny freedom to Rome. In the League, as elsewhere, the religious question gets mixed with the political. If the Irish would all turn Protestants to-morrow, they would get whatever they wanted the day after.

Speaking of reformers, Prof. HUXLEY gave a lecture a few nights ago at the opening of a Workingman's College, in Southwark, in which he said that without education a vote was of no more use to a workingman than a *chignon!* In good times he had no sort of use for it, and the best thing he could do was to sell it for a pot of beer. In bad times he had not the intelligence to use his vote so as to make them better. My own impression is that the good claimed by some, and the evil dreaded by others, from an increase of the suffrage will be infinitesimal. The public opinion of the country will govern its policy in the future, as it has in the past, and that is better shown from day to day by the Press than it can be by voting. It is by no means certain which party will be strengthened by the passage of the Reform bill. Every country is governed, at last, by the aggregate of its moral and intellectual power.

INTERNATIONAL COPYRIGHT.

The copyright question comes up again in reference to Mr. DICKENS. SAMPSON, Low & Co. think he can secure a copyright by the fact of his present actual residence in America. Another publishing authority says he must renounce his allegiance to Queen VICTORIA, and declare his intentions to become an American citizen, and that if his book is published first in America he will lose his copyright in England. He can step over into Canada, however, and secure it there. Capt. MARRYAT, it is said, wished to secure a copyright in America, but on the terms being stated, he said he would see them blanked first. Mr. G. P. R. JAMES, I am told, was either less loyal or less scrupulous.

A PERSECUTED NOBLEMAN.

Lord RANELAGH has been prosecuted again for smoking in a railway carriage, and fined. Some time ago he was fined for smoking on the South Western, and a week after the Company put on smoking carriages. In his defence his Lordship said that when these laws were made smoking in England was the exception, now it is the rule. The Prince of Wales smokes; the Duke of Cambridge smokes, several Bishops smoke, Mr. BAGGET, Mr. CARLYLE and Mr. DICKENS smoke. As the majority smoke, it is only necessary to put on every train carriages in which smoking is forbidden, as they have in France carriages in every train into which men are forbidden to enter.

AMUSEMENTS.

The amusements of the season go on as if there were no hard times and not a Fenian on the footstool. If fifty thousand people are on the verge of starvation in London, twice that number are every night enjoying merrily the Christmas pantomimes. I took my first dose a few nights ago at the Lyceum, where Mr. E. T. SMITH, of Cremorne, has hastily dished up a very odd and attractive jumble. It is called, "Harlequin Cock Robin and Jenny Wren; or Fortunatus, the Three Bears, the Three Gifts, the Three Wishes, and the Little Man who wooed the Little Maid." All these stories and songs of Mother Goose are somehow dished up with the question of sanitary reform, cleanliness, ventilation, diabletics, ballets of birds, flowers and fishes, the cancan, imported from Paris, for the first time introduced on the London stage with immense applause, and of course an hour of boisterous fun with *Harlequin, Columbine, Clown* and *Pantaloon*. An English holiday theatre is always lovely with its crowds of beautiful children, so complete, heavy and robust in their enjoyment. There are, besides the ballets, nice songs and rollicking breakdowns, four or five of the prettiest and cleverest actresses in London, and a heap of roaring fun that sends everybody home happy.

DEATH OF AN ACTRESS.

Which reminds me, by contrast, of the recent death of an actress, whom many persons in New-York will, I think, remember. Nearly thirty years ago there appeared at the Park Theatre, quite unannounced, and wholly unknown, a Miss GROVE, who charmed us all to tears in the part of *Clari*, the Maid of Milan, in JOHN HOWARD PAYNE's drama, and who sang "Home, Sweet Home," which was written in that piece, as we never heard it before, and never since. This charming girl, engaged to be married to an actor in London, was dragged off on the day appointed for her wedding to New-York. The expecting and bereaved bridegroom got his first news of her from the New-York papers. He sent a lady to bring her back, and she disappeared one day from the Park Theatre, at rehearsal, and was off in a packet-ship to London. She married Mr. E. YARNOLD, and has ever since been on the London boards. Her husband died twelve years ago, leaving her with a family to support by her exertions. After a long illness this poor gifted lady has died, leaving several children destitute. If there are those who remember her as I do in her song of home, so sadly sweet, they may wish to do something for her children, and I am sure that Mr. WEBSTER, of the Adelphi, or Mr. BUCKSTONE, of the Haymarket, will gladly become the almoners of their bounty. MONADNOCK.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

Peaceful Assurances of Gen. Ignatieff—British Advice to Servia—Intended Publication of Diplomatic Correspondence.

Vienna, (Jan. 10,) by telegraph to Reuter's Bureau.

The *Presse* of this morning says that during his recent stay in this capital Gen. IGNATIEFF took the opportunity of expressing himself to several diplomatists in a peaceful sense as to the policy of Russia in the Eastern question.

The same paper states that the British Consul at Belgrade presented a note to the Servian Government on the 26th of December, recommending it to maintain a pacific attitude.

It is alleged that the Austrian and Hungarian delegates about to assemble shortly will have a Red Book laid before them by the Government, consisting of diplomatic documents, dating from the war of 1866, and including the latest negotiations in the Eastern and Roman questions.

Russian Mistrust of France.

From the Invalide Russe, Jan. 10.

The protestations of peace which have appeared in the French semi-official journals are useless and reassure no one. Notwithstanding the friendly professions of France, mistrust exists between the powers more than ever, and the continuous debates in the Corps Législatif on the reorganization of the army, prove that France has secret plans of great importance for the coming year.

ITALY.

Circular of the Minister of the Interior Condemning the Internal Policy of the Government.

From the Florence Gazette, Jan. 10.

The following circular of the Minister of the Interior to the Prefects upon the internal policy of the Government, bearing the date of Jan. 7, has been issued:

"The first essential condition for the liberty of all is respect for and observance of the law. This object cannot be attained when the Government, being scrupulously bound to inforce them, does not possess the necessary energy and authority. In a State where it would be possible for few or for many to impose obstacles or exercise influences detrimental to the execution of the law, by placing themselves above it and above Parliament and the Government, there would no only liberty for the few to deprive of liberty all the others. It would be the negation of the Constitution and of all liberty, and would tend directly to absolutism or anarchy. Italy did not accomplish her great and pacific revolution to perpetuate revolution, or to reap such fruit from it. She wishes to cement and render fruitful her precious conquests. She requires security and tranquility to be able to develop that internal activity which alone can make her powerful and respected. She is justly proud and jealous of her unity and her liberty, but on that very account she demands that the Government, while keeping within the bounds of the strictest legality, shall make itself be respected by all, that it shall employ no illegal influence, and prove by facts that it has a resolute will, authority and power to govern and strengthen its action. To attain this object it is only necessary that the existing laws should be carried out. On this sole condition can the liberty of all be assured and guaranteed, nor can the unity of Italy otherwise obtain that culmination to which the country unanimously aspires. In conclusion, the Minister confidently relies upon the support of the prefects, and believes that his antecedents in public life will secure their cordial coöperation. He allodes to his former efforts in Parliament to promote administrative decentralization, and to increase the sphere of action and the authority of the prefects. The Government will efficaciously support the prefects in maintaining the respect for the law and moral principles."

The Eruption of Mount Vesuvius—Distinguished Visitors in Naples.

Naples (Jan. 5) Correspondence of the London Times.

Vesuvius, so far from diminishing in its attraction, becomes daily more menacing and splendid. For several days after Christmas the thunders of the mountain were so strong as to break the windows in the neighborhood with the vibration, and the stones which were ejected fell half way down the cone. You may conceive, therefore, what a height they attained. On the 28th there was a slight diminution in the action of the mountain, and then the shocks began as violent as ever; the crater full of lava boiled like a cauldron, while columns of ashes and crystals of *anfigeno*, so says my daily report, were sent to a great elevation. On Friday last another crater was formed near the Great Cone, and in the direction of the Hermitage. Out of this has been flowing ever since a river of liquid lava, offering the most brilliant spectacle. From the two craters issue two curved streams, forming an ellipse, meeting, of course, at the bottom, and pouring down toward Resina. At times the entire interval between the streams is filled with the fiery flood, from the sides of which issue a thousand little rivulets, appearing in the distance like the corruscations of an aurora borealis. Since the commencement of the eruption I have never seen it half so brilliant as it has been since Friday. Our visitors increase from day to day, attracted by this wonderful spectacle. Lord and Lady CLARENDON, with their family arrived on Thursday night, and Count APPONYI on Friday. The Duke and Duchess of AOSTA will arrived on the 15th inst., and great preparations are being made for their reception. They remain during the whole of the Carnival, in which interval there will be much gayety. The United States squadron is expected here this week. It will consist of the Admiral's ship, the *Franklin*, and three others. JAN. 9.

The eruption of Mount Vesuvius continues to be serious. Lava is slowly accumulating in the direction of Torre del Greco. Shocks of earthquake were distinctly felt during the last two nights.

The sismograph is still agitated.

FRANCE.

The Emperor's Views on the War Question.

Paris (Jan. 5) Correspondence of the London Herald.

M. LARABIT, the Senator, was the great man of the place who presided at the inauguration of the statue of Marshal DAVOUST at Auxerre last month. A short time before the inauguration he wrote a letter to Marshal CANROBERT, from which the *Constitution* of Auxerre extracts the following passage:

"I have written to His Majesty that I shall make a speech, blaming those who preach peace when it is necessary to fight."

A few days since the warlike Senator was honored with the following letter from His Majesty:

PALACE OF ST. CLOUD, Dec. 2, 1867.

MY DEAR MONSIEUR LARABIT: I have read your speech at Auxerre with much interest. Your language breathes the most elevated patriotism. I am not surprised to find in your words the noble sentiments with which I know you are animated toward France and my family. Receive with my thanks and congratulations the assurance of my sentiments.

NAPOLEON.

If you object to the tautology of "sentiments," I can only say the fault is not in the translation, but in the original letter. It is thus that almost every day, while we are told the Bourse is sustained by the "efforts" of official writers in a pacific sense, something oozes out to show that in regions paramount to M. ROUHER and the Marquis DE MOUSTIER war is contemplated.

Proposed Heavy Increase of Taxation.

La France, of Jan. 10, says that the expected financial statement of Count CAMBRAY DIGNY will propose an increase in the taxation of one hundred millions of francs, a loan of four hundred millions contracted on the guarantee of the ecclesiastical property, and the cession to a company of the tobacco monopoly.

The Payment of the Mexican Bonds.

Paris (Jan. 9) Correspondence of the Journal de Havre.

At the late Council of Ministers, held at the hotel of M. ROUHER, several notabilities of the great banking world were present, the object being to consider several questions connected with the manufacturing and financial crisis. The question of the Mexican bonds is said to have been again discussed. Will it be disposed of in an additional clause of the Budget, or by a special measure? The latter, it is said, will be the course adopted, and the report of the special commission appointed last year at the Ministry of Finance to examine the subject, will form the basis of the plan to be proposed. Such, at least, is the version which receives most acceptance.

ENGLAND AND AMERICA.

Comments of the French Press upon the Relations of both Countries and the Rights of Naturalized Citizens.

From the Journal des Debats, Jan. 9.

As to the difficulties which the Fenians are trying to get up between England and the United States, and which find a kind of *point d'appui* on the other side of the Atlantic, they could only become serious in the event the United States Government recognizing the Fenians as belligerents, and allowing Fenian *filibusters* to sail from American harbors. But it is not probable that the ill-will of the Americans against England will be carried to such an extremity. Still less importance should be attached to the pretension entertained in America of securing a certain immunity, or, at least, certain privileges to American citizens arrested in England on a charge of Fenianism. England, like every other country in Europe, (Turkey excepted,) applies the law of the land to foreigners arraigned on a criminal charge; and an American citizen, however authentic his nationality, may be legally condemned and executed if he takes part in civil disturbances, just as an Englishman or an American would be in France. In American prisoner, however, has a privilege in England which he shares with every other foreign offender—*i. e.*, of being tried by a mixed jury. But that generous scruple of the law of England has nothing to do with international law; it is what in diplomatic parlance is styled municipal law, and if England departs from or annuls it with regard to Irishmen, who claim to be Americans in virtue of their naturalization, no foreign Government has any right to demand its fulfillment. Such are the principles of international law in the matter, and they are so clear and so unquestionable that they exclude any possibility of conflict between the two countries, save of course, in the case of America, bent on fastening a quarrel upon England, thinking fit to deny that which is self-evident.

SPAIN.

System of Primary Instruction for the People.

Madrid (Jan. 5) Correspondence of the Courrier de Bayonne.

A bill has been laid before the Cortes by the Minister of Public Instruction, the object of which is to provide primary education for the whole people. Its principal provisions are that every village having a population of 500 must have a schoolmaster, to be paid out of the municipal funds, and school materials are to be provided to an amount equivalent to a fourth of the teacher's salary. In hamlets having a smaller population than 500 the curé will be charged with the primary instruction of the children, which is to be obligatory all over Spain. The State will grant a yearly sum of $200,000 (each equal to five francs) in aid of towns and villages unable themselves to provide the necessary funds. The Government will favor the establishment of houses of religious education, and the books to be placed in the hands of the children must be approved by the Bishops. Parents who are poor will not have to pay for their children's instruction. Every Spaniard fulfilling certain conditions of aptitude will be allowed to open a school, but if his conduct or doctrines give rise to complaint, the Alcade will have power to close the establishment.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Monday, Jan. 27—Evening.

Consols closed at 93¼ for money and account.
American securities closed at the following rates:
United States 5-20s, Bonds.....72@73¼
Illinois Central Railway Shares.....86¼
Erie Railway Shares.....40¾

FRANKFORT, Monday, Jan. 27—Evening.

United States Bonds are quoted at 76¼ for the issue of 1862.

LIVERPOOL, Monday, Jan. 27—Evening.

COTTON—The market closed unchanged at the following quotations:
Middling Uplands.....7¾@7¾
Middling Orleans.....8 @8¼
The sales of the day foot up 12,000 bales.
BREADSTUFFS—Corn, 45s. 3d. Wheat, 10s. for California White, and 14s. 6d. for No. 2 Red Western. Barley, 5s. 6d. Oats, 3s. 11d. Peas, 40s. 6d. Flour, 37s. 6d. for Western.
PROVISIONS—Beef, 120s. Pork, 77s. for new. Lard, 51s. 3d. Cheese, 53s. 6. Bacon, 46s.
PRODUCE—Naval Stores close firm. Resin, 6s. 3d. for Common, and 11s. for Medium. Turpentine, 29s. for Spirits. Sugar, firm. Coffee, No. 19 Dutch Standard. Tallow, 42s. 6d. Petroleum dull at 1s. 2½d. for refined. Cloverseed, 46s.

ANTWERP, Monday, Jan. 27—Evening.

PETROLEUM—Standard White has declined 50 centimes, and is now quoted at 49 francs 50 centimes.

Domestic Markets.

CHICAGO, Monday, Jan. 27.

FLOUR steady; Spring Extras, $9@$9 50. WHEAT steady at $2 08¾@$2 08¾ for No. 2. CORN firmer at 51c. @52c. OATS quiet at 36c.@36¼c. RYE dull at $1 52@$1 53. BARLEY firm and advanced 2c.@2¼c; sales at $1 90 for rejected, and $2 15 for No. 2. PROVISIONS firm; Mess Pork $20@$20 50; Prime Mess, $16. LARD firm and advanced ¼c.; sales at 12¼c.@12¾c.; Cumberlands, in packed; Rough Sides, 8c. packed; Rough Sides, 9c. loose. GREEN HAMS steady at 12¼c.@13¼c. DRESSED HOGS firm; the range was $7 25@$8 25. LIVE HOGS dull at $5 50@$5 90 for Shipping, and $6 60@$7 for Prime to Choice. BEEF CATTLE dull and nominal at $6 75@$7 25 for prime Beeves. SHEEP inactive and nominal. RECEIPTS—250 bbls. Flour, 16,000 bushels Wheat, 107,000 bushels Corn, 2,000 bushels Oats, 1,400 Live Hogs and 5,000 Dressed Hogs. SHIPMENTS—3,000 bbls. Flour, 2,000 bushels Corn, 2,500 bushels Oats, 2,500 Live Hogs, 5,000 Dressed Hogs.

CINCINNATI, Monday, Jan. 27.

FLOUR quiet and unchanged. WHEAT quiet and firm at $2 35 for No. 1 Winter Red, and $2 25 for do. Spring. CORN dull at 50c. on the ear, shelled held at 46c. OATS firm and held at 39c.@70c. for No. 1. RYE $1 55 with limited demand. BARLEY advancing; sales No. 1 Fall at $1 25. COTTON firmer and active; Middling 16¼c.@16¾c. WHISKY unchanged. PROVISIONS firmer and unchanged. MESS PORK $20@$21 for old and new. BULK MEATS held at 8c.@10c. for Shoulders and Sides; no sales. BACON quiet and firm at ¼c. for Shoulders and 11¾c. for Clear Sides. LARD firm and in good demand; sales at 13c. for prime city and 12¾c. for country. MONEY easy. Exchange ready. Gold 140¼, Silver buying, 140¾ selling.

BUFFALO, Monday, Jan. 27.

GRAIN, in store and afloat, without material change. FLOUR quiet; sales 300 bbls. City ground Spring at $10 25@ 50 bbls. Western Spring at $9 75, and 100 bbls. at $10@$11 for Western Spring, and $13 50 for White Western. WHEAT active and unchanged. CORN dull; sales 3 car-loads new at $1 07, on track; 1 car-load do. at $1 08; 1 car-load new White at $1 10, on track. OATS nominally unchanged; sales 1 car-load Ohio at 72c., on track. RYE unchanged. BARLEY higher; sales 5,000 bushels Canada on private terms; quoted at $1 90. SEEDS active; sales 1,000 bags Illinois Timothy at $2 75; 21 bags Clover at $7 50; 50 bushels large do. at $9. Dressed HOGS—Sales 424 head at $8 55@$9. LARD and MESS PORK without change.

OSWEGO, Monday, Jan. 27.

FLOUR in moderate demand; sales, 700 bbls., at $11 for No. 1 Spring; $13 for Red Winter; $13 50 for White; $14 50 for Double Extra. WHEAT firm but quiet; sales of White Michigan at $3 10. CORN is selling at 61 2S for No. 2. OATS, BARLEY, RYE and MALT quiet. CORN MEAL, $2 75 per cwt. MILL FEED firm; Shorts, $30; Shipstuffs, $40; Middlings, $46 per ton. RAILROAD RECEIPTS—Flour, 10,000 bbls.; to New-York, $1; to Albany, 67c.

LOUISVILLE, Monday, Jan. 27.

TOBACCO firm at $15 100@$17 for Common Lug; $20 for Medium Leaf; COTTON, 15¼c.@15¾c. Superfine FLOUR, $7 50@$8. WHEAT, $2 40. OATS, 36c.@38c. CORN, 77c.@80c. MESS PORK—New, $21. LARD, 13c. BACON advanced ¼c. Shoulders, 10c.; Sides, 12¾c.; bulk Shoulders, 8¾c.; Clear Sides, 11¾c. WHISKY nominal.

TOLEDO, Monday, Jan. 27.

FLOUR quiet. WHEAT firm, and advanced 1½c.; sales of Amber at $2 70; No. 1 Spring at $2 18. CORN firmer; sales of New No. 1 at 58c.@59½c. OATS—Michigan, 63½c. RYE quiet. BARLEY—Sales of No. 2 at $1 75. DRESSED HOGS quiet at $7 30@$8 25. Sales of MESS PORK at $20 50.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Jan. 27.

Cattle market unsettled and lower; Steers, 9¾c.@10¾c. for extra and 5c.@7c. for common. Sheep in fair demand; 4,000 head sold at 5c.@6½c. Hogs dull and lower; 4,000 sold at $10@$10 50 ₱ 100 lbs. net.

Philadelphia Stock Board.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Jan. 27.

Stocks firm. Pennsylvania State Fives, 98; Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, 28½; Reading Railroad, 48¾; Pennsylvania Railroad, 56½. Gold, 140¾.

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Etna	Jan. 27	New-York	Liverpool.
Minnesota	Jan. 29	New-York	Liverpool.
Australasian	Jan. 29	New-York	Liverpool.
Aleppo	Jan. 29	New-York	Liverpool.
Weser	Jan. 30	New-York	Bremen.
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